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THE FRENCH POX,

With all its

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And their Cures.

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INTRODUCTION.

Reader,

THE acceptance which many have been pleaſed to ſhew to my Venus Unmask'd, *in purchaſing it at a treble price, to what it was ſold for at firſt, hath obliged me to gratifie them with this* Little Venus, *being a refined abridgment of the former, and conſiſting of the choiceſt matter the other contained. Thoſe notions, that were wrapt up in hard words, and obſcure deſcriptions, I have here unchained, and ſet free, ſo that the youngeſt Novices in practice may eaſily apprehend them. Moreover, the copious additions of The-*

oretick, and especially Practical Observations have now rendred this small Volume so compleat, that I may speak out of the mouths of others, (Absit jactantia dictis) it may serve Practitioners instead of a Map to discover the innumerable differences of Venereal Diseases, and to steer a right course in Curing them. And I must tell you, turn over all the Authors that have writ upon this Disease, and the most voluminous of them, you shall not read any thing material there, but what is succinctly proposed to you here, and much more than ever they dreamed of; for it is undeniable, that the Pox at this present is more propagated in one day, than a hundred years ago it was in a Month, and consequently the number of Venereal Patients so multiplied, that the variety of their several cases must needs give occasion to Physicians to be far more knowing and experienced in it, than those of the fore-going Ages. And as

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for the variety of this French *Diſeaſe, there is nothing more ſtrange, ſince among Ten Thouſand you ſhall not meet with two that are diſeaſed alike. Neither doth this evil vary more in Bodies, than it doth in Climates; In* Italy, *and eſpecially at* Venice *and* Rome, *I found the Pox to continue for the moſt part hidden in Bodies for ſome years, which afterwards would ſuddenly diſcover it ſelf in rotten bones. In* France, *I perceived the evil to run moſt upon ſcabby Ulcers, and Botches; in* Holland *upon Night-pains, Gums, and Nodes. What it is in* Germany *I know not, ſince I only paſſed through the Country without making any great ſtay. The Cure is no leſs variable; for what remedieth one, ſhall render another worſe; and indeed if a Patient have a wrong Cure applied, it oft leaves him incurable. In the South parts of* France *the Diſeaſe is eaſily Cured, though far eaſier in* Italy, *eſpecially at* Florence, *and*

Padua ; *but a* Dutch *Pox is the moſt difficult to Cure of all others, and next to it an* Engliſh *one. What this ſmall Volume further contains, the firſt Page will inform you.*

Farewel.

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ſerve by the Addition of ſeveral new Tracts, hitherto not diſcourſed on by any Author: I doubt not but they will gratifie your pains in the reading, which is what is chiefly aimed at.

By your Friend.

LITTLE VENUS UNMASK'D.

ARTICLE I.

Touching the Names, and ſuppoſed riſe of the Pox.

1. TO give you a clear and ample Deſcription of the Pox, I ſhall follow this Method. 1. Regiſter all its Names. 2. Give you

an ample Relation of its firſt riſe or Original. 3. Set down the cauſes of it. 4. Exactly define its nature or eſſence. 5. Tell you the differences, or ſeveral kinds, ſorts, ſtages, and degrees of the *Pox*. 6 Relate the ſigns and Prognoſticks. 7. Propoſe ſeveral nice and curious Queſtions, with their Anſwers upon the *Pox*, and thoſe that are pockified. 8. Deſcribe twelve different ways or methods of Curing the *Pox*.

2. In Latin its called *Variolæ magnæ*, thence in Italian *Várole groſſe*, and in French *la groſſe verole*, all ſignifying the great, or groſs *Pox*. The French do alſo particularly name it, *Le mal de Naples*, or the evil of *Naples*, becauſe it had its firſt riſe among the *Spaniards* at *Naples*, in the Year, 1494. being beſieged by the *French*; though the *Spaniards* ſay, the *French* bred it at that very time, and therefore do call it *Il mal Franceſe*, or the *French* Evil; the

the truth of this you'l read below. Among our Latin Authors its termed the *Indian Evil*, the *Indian Tetter*, the *Venereal Infection*, the *Tetter of the Privities*, the *New Campane Diſeaſe*, the *French Leproſie*, the *Spaniſh Itch*, the *French Diſeaſe*, the *Court Diſeaſe*, the *Diſeaſe a-la mode*, *Job's mangineſs*, the *Diſeaſe of St. Mevius* (whence the *Germans* to this day call it *Mevius*) *St. Roches Diſeaſe*, the *Evil of St. Evagrius* a *Jeruſalem Frier*, and *S. Sements Diſeaſe*. The *Dutch* call it the *Spaniſh Pox*, the *Indians Las Buas*, *Paturſa* and *Pua*. What its named in *Engliſh* is vulgarly enough known.

3. Doctors have for a long time blazed into Heraldry for the Coat of the Pox, to diſcover its firſt extraction, and antiquity of that great Family; at length it was held by a general vote, that its firſt diſcent was from the *Neapolitan Spaniards*, ſome of whom having

ving been lately abroad with *Columbus*, in the Year 1492. upon the firſt diſcovery of the New World, or Weſt-Indies, after two Years abſence, arrived back to their native Country, with a number of new pretty curious fangles, and among the reſt, was this new pocky toy, which they ſoon made preſent of to ſeveral of their deareſt *Julietta*'s at *Naples*; for immediately upon their arrival in *Spain*, they were hurried away to *Naples*, to reinforce that Gariſon, then in poſſeſſion of *Alphonſo*, King of *Arragon*, and blocked up by 80000. *French* under command of *Charles* the Eighth of *France*. The beſieged being ſtraightned of Proviſions, were forced to diſmiſs their Miſtriſſes, (already ſufficiently rubbed with the *Indian* Loadſtone,) into the Enemies Camp, where they met with very good Quarters among thoſe hungry Muſh-

roms,

roms, almoſt ſtarved for want of Womens Fleſh; which they found ſo well ſeaſoned and daubed with Muſtard, that in few Weeks it took them all by the Noſe. By this you obſerve, its ſuppoſed the *Spaniards* firſt brought the Pox from the Weſt-*Indies*, where they ſaid it was as natural to the Inhabitants, as the ſmall Pox is elſewhere. *Floravanni* denies that the *Spaniards* brought it from the Weſt-*Indies*, but affirms, the *French* being almoſt famiſhed, firſt got the Pox, at the afore-ſaid Siege of *Naples*, by eating dead Mens Carkaſſes, which he further makes proof of, by feeding a Sow with Sows Fleſh, likewiſe an Owl and a Whelp with Fleſh of their own kind, which he found afterwards markt with ſpots, botches, and pimples, like thoſe of the Pox. *Paracelſus* ſaith, this Diſeaſe was bred between a *French* Leper, and a *Neapolitan* Whore, whilſt ſhe had her

her courſes upon her.) Aſtrologers write, the Pox was cauſed by an unluckey meeting of ſome of the Planets: though others again ſay, it was cauſed by *Greek* Wine, daſhed with *Lepers* Blood, which the *French* drank, being purpoſely left for them at *Suma* by the *Spaniards*. Some report a Leper of *Valentia* in *Spain*, firſt gave a noble Whore this Diſeaſe, who ſince diſperſed it among many others. Divines impute the riſe of it to Gods Judgment upon Adulterers and Fornicators.

After all this many will have it, that the Pox reigned in the World long before the Year 1494. and therefore ſay, that *Hippocrates* makes mention of ſome that loſt their Hair, and were troubled with Malignant Ulcers about their Privities. Likewiſe *Valeſcus*, *Saliceſtus*, and *Gordonius*, (who lived 800 Years before the Siege of *Naples*) wrote of Ulcers and Botches, contracted

contracted through the immoderate uſe of Women. Its likewiſe diſcourſed, that the *Ethiopians* have for ſome hundred Years been ſubject to a filthy Diſeaſe about their Groin and Privities, which they got by an over-wanton lechery; the ſame is alſo confirmed by *Agatharcides*. *Avicenna* writes of a *Sehaphatum* or ſcabby Head, with many other accidents attending it, not unlike the Pox. Others ſay, the Pox is nothing but a kind of *Leproſie*, a St. *Antonies Fire* or a kind of *Plague*.

4. Thoſe that conceive *Job*, St. *Mevius*, St. *Evagrius*, St. *Roche*, or St. *Sement*, to have been tormented with the Pox, or that the Pox had a being in *Hippocrates*, *Avicen*, *Valeſcus*, *Salicetus*, or *Gordonius* their times, ſome hundred Years before the fore-ſaid Siege of *Naples*, muſt needs find their miſtake, in comparing the ſymptoms of thoſe holy Men,

or

or thoſe mentioned by the Authors before-written, with the ſymptoms of the Pox. Neither can any rationally ſuppoſe, the Pox to be a kind of Leproſie, ſince they do altogether differ from one another in ſymptoms, and manner of Infection. Neither can I believe, the *Spaniards* brought the Pox firſt from the Weſt-*Indies*, becauſe a Weſt-*India* Pox is no *Epidemick*, but an *Endemick* Diſeaſe, which is cauſed by a particular diſpoſition of the Air, and their putrid diet; and therefore is equivalent to a Scurvy. Nevertheleſs its moſt certain the Pox was firſt bred among thoſe *Spaniards*, that were arrived from the Weſt-*Indies* at *Naples*, and the *French* that beſieged the Town, though in another manner than is generally reported, as this following Hiſtory of the Nativity of the Pox will confirm to you, being collected by me from ſeveral

veral circumſtances, that attended it at its birth.

ART. II.

Containing the true Hiſtory of the Pox, with the Authors diſcovery of its riſe and cauſes.

5. THe *French* with their entailed mangineſs marching into *Italy* in the Year 1493. under *Charles the* Eighth of *France*, againſt *Alphonſo* King of *Arragon*, did daily fret, and promote their Evil by drinking groſs *Italian* Wines, eating Salt Meats, and broiling under a hotter Sun; and as their Wines grew ſtronger, Victuals

Victuals ſalter, and Sun hotter, by their deeper in-road into the Country, ſo their Diſeaſe accrewed in greater Scabs and malignity. At laſt being come to their Journeys end, and ſeated before *Naples*, they felt themſelves encompaſſed with a more ſcorching Air, and feeding upon powdered Boars Fleſh, they were preſſed to gorge down Rivers of Wine, hotter and ſtronger than before; all which had ſublimed (or heightned) their Diſeaſe to ſo extream an high pitch of mangineſs, that conſiſting in inflamed itching ſcurf, and damnable infection, it was communicated to their inward parts, in as furious a degree, as to their outward. This inward and outward itching brined and pickled diet, meeting with aduſt (or burnt) Melancholy tempers, could not but kick and ſpur ſome of them into a moſt deteſtable rage of lechery, who encountering

ing with rank Jades, (being pernicious through their menſtruous ſteems, and diſgraced with the worſt degrees of Scurvy, crept in upon them by their ill Diet within the ſurrounded City,) fell foul of the handſomeſt, that probably had been over-ridden, galled, inflamed, and ſet on Fire by their Comrades before. In this ſharp conflict ſhowrs of morbifick emiſſaries (or diſeaſed ſteems) darted from each party, confronted, united, embraced, and were knit together into intire compound minute (or very *ſmall*) Bodies which were the Flower, Soul, and abridgement of the whole clot, whereout they were ſublimed (or forced) and conſequently did partake of the worſt of their qualities and ſymptoms, which now are become the genuine (or true) pocky ones.

6. The truth of this Narrative depends upon the proof of theſe four

four circumſtances. 1. That the *French* Army was at that time troubled with the ſcabby Itch. 2. That the Itch can be ſublimed, or raiſed to a higher pitch, in manner aforeſaid. 3. That the *Neapolitan* Curtizans were troubled with the Scurvy. 4. That the Pox was begotten between a mangy *French-man* and a *Neapolitan* Whore, that was troubled with the Scurvy; or in ſhort, that the Pox is cauſed by a commixture of a ſcabby Itch, and an inveterate Scurvy.

7. In relation to the firſt, its moſt certainly known, that a *French-man* upon the leaſt change of Air, ever contracts the Itch; or if it ſhould fail him Spring or Fall, immediately doubts of his Health; moreover, where any one is accuſtomed to Wine, and a ſharp hot Diet, as peppred, Onion, Anchovy, and Garlick Sawces, and is ſloveniſh in his Linnen,

Linnen, living beſides in a hot Climate, its impoſſible he ſhould eſcape the Itch, much leſs in an Army, where they are all ſlovens in their Linnen, and Cloaths, in the higheſt degree, and one infects the other, and feeds the Diſeaſe with a brined and pickled Diet. In fine, never did a *French* Army paſs a Campane, without being tormented with the Itch in the worſt degree; what pickle the *French* Army uſed to be in *Flanders*, where the Air is far more temperate than in *Italy*, my ſelf have been an Eye-witneſs. As to the ſecond, its generally obſerved, that by continuation of a hot Diet, and not ſhifting of Linnen, a ſmall Itch, with little black heads, will change into red mattery pimples, and thoſe into ſcalding Scabs, which at length will turn into great broad Scurf, like a Leproſie. To the third, as moſt Towns that are ſituated upon

upon the Sea, are ſubject to ſome *Endemick* Diſeaſe or other, ſo *Naples* hath ever been diſpoſed to an imperfect Scurvy, which being beſieged, and the Inhabitants penned up in Rooms, uſing no exerciſe, and dieting upon courſe dreggiſh powdered Boars Fleſh, old hard mouldy Biſcuit, and ſlimy muſty Water, (for their Fountains were filled with dirt, and the Air with ſtinks of Carrions, dead Carcaſſes, and putrid ſaltiſh vapours of the Sea,) they muſt unavoidably have been forced into a very deep Scurvy; for the adequate cauſe being put into action, the effect muſt neceſſarily follow. The fourth is, that the Pox is begotten, between a mangy *Frenchman* and a *Neapolitan* Whore, that was troubled with the Scurvy; or to ſpeak more plain, The Pox is a complicated, mixt, or compounded Diſeaſe, that's engendred, bred, and knit together out of

a deep Scurvy, and a fiery malignant mangineſs. That it is a mixt Diſeaſe, is diſcovered by the mixt ſigns, ſymptoms, (or accidents) ſome iſſuing from the ſcabby Itch, others from the Scurvy. Firſt, I'le demonſtrate the Pox to be a true Scurvy. 2ly. That its alſo a perfect mangineſs. 3ly. That it is neither a Scurvy nor mangineſs ſingly by themſelves, but a Diſeaſe that is engendred or bred out of a Scurvy and mangineſs, being complicated and knit together. 4. That the Scurvy, whereof the Pox doth conſiſt, is not ſuch a common *Endemick* Scurvy, as the Air doth breed here in *England*; but an *Epidemick* Scurvy, much differing from the other. As to the firſt, that the Pox is a true Scurvy, may rationally be granted, becauſe the time and place of the riſe, or beginning, growth, height, ending, ſigns, or ſymptoms, properties, cauſes, and Cure of the

Scurvy

Scurvy and Pox are the ſame, as will appear to you in every particular. The Pox its agreed by moſt Authors had its birth at *Naples*, and ſo had the Scurvy; for before the year 1495. it was never heard of, nor mentioned by any, but is recorded by ſeveral to have received its birth and Name at *Naples* in the year aforeſaid. It was then called *Scorno-Bocca*, or foul mouth, (from *Scorno* a foul or ſhameful thing, and *Bocca* mouth,) and from thence the other names *Scorbutum* and *Scorbeck* were derived. The next year after, it was obſerved to be ſpread among the *Hollanders*, and *Flemmings*, being tranſported thither by the *Spaniſh* Souldiers, that were ſent from *Naples* to Gariſon among them, who from the *Italian* named it *Scorbeck*. The *Pox* generally begins with a Laſſitude or foreneſs of ones Limbs, weakneſs of the Knees and Legs, with a ſmall pain about

about the Shins, and oppreſſion about the middle, bloſſoms into Pinck-colour ſpots like Flea-bites, *&c.* Even ſo begins the Scurvy. The Pox in its growth buds into red, yellow, or duskiſh pimples, eſpecially about the Forehead, and appears with a great change of the Complexion, and a deep Melancholy, and ſo doth the Scurvy. Being arrived to its height, its attended with foul Ulcers ſcattered over the Body, and flying retching pains, racking the Body moſt in the Night, *&c.* Exactly ſo doth the Scurvy appear in its height. At laſt the Pox ends into Fiſtula's, rottenneſs of the Bones, torturing fixt pains, Dropſies, Conſumptions, Fevers, *&c.* Into which likewiſe the Scurvy makes its ending. In ſhort, there is no ſign, or ſymptom in in the Pox, but its obſerved to be in the Scurvy, ſo likewiſe there is ſcarce a ſign in the Scurvy,

but its diſcerned in the Pox, which is the reaſon why Phyſicians do dayly miſtake, in judging ſome to be troubled with the Pox, that are troubled with the Scurvy, and others to be Diſeaſed with the Scurvy, that are infected with the Pox. Moreover its a property of the Pox, never to appear with the ſame ſigns in two Bodies, but in one Body is attended with ſuch ſigns, in another quite different; which is alſo proper to the Scurvy. Laſtly, the Pox is oft Cured with Vegetables, that are of a biting ſtinging nature, and contain a great deal of mordicant volatil Salt, as *Guaiacum*, *Soapwort*, *Perſicaria*, &c. which are alſo proper Remedies for the Scurvy. To the ſecond, that is a mangineſs, is evidently diſcovered by its itching, running Scabs, and Scurf, beſides Pocky Ulcers are generally covered with mangy Scabs. To the third,

third, though the Pox and the Scurvy be so very like, its visible enough, they be not the same, but differ in malignity or fierceness of symptoms; for though the Pox and Scurvy are both featured with pimples, botches, and Ulcers, yet. 1. Those in the Scurvy are less painful, and less inflamed, and better coloured. 2. In Infection, the Pox being far more infectious than the Scurvy. 3. In itching Scabs, and crusty Ulcers, which are not discovered in the Scurvy. So that you may plainly discern the Scurvy to be a kind of mild Pox, and wants nothing but malignity of symptoms, a stronger sting of Infection and itching Scabs and Scurff, all which the beforementioned mangineſs doth contribute to it; and so consequently out of their Union and coalescence the Pox must necessarily result. Furthermore, that mangineſs is so near a kin to the Pox,

the Cure doth plainly confirm, *Mercury* being a known and experienced Remedy for them both, beſides the Night pains and cruſty puſtles and Ulcers, that attend mangineſs, do fully demonſtrate it. Laſtly, do but obſerve the mangy ſymptoms Recorded by *Hugo Senenſis*, *Conſil.* 73. *de cut. inf.* and *Gaſper Torrel. Conſ.* 5. *adv. pud.* and you muſt neceſſarily grant a malignant Mangineſs to be Pocky, as thoſe do that call it *Job*'s Mangineſs, St. *Lazarus*, or St. *Sements* Diſeaſe. But thoſe that are curious to be better reſolved upon that point, let them endeavour to procure my great *Venus Unmak'd.* Here you may be reſolved, why the Pox proves ſo Infectious by copulation, *viz.* becauſe its ingendred out of two very Infectious Diſeaſes, and conveyed by the Seed, which as it is the Spirits contracted, and flower of all the blood in the Body, ſo muſt

muſt it likewiſe conſiſt of the Spirits contracted, and Flower of all the Infection, or Infected blood of the whole Body. To the 4th Note. 1. There are two ſorts of Scurvy, one *Endemick* that's engendred by the Air, and conſtitution of the place where it reigns, as this here in *England*, and that of *Lisbon*, or *Holland*. The other is *Epidemick*, and is by far more Malignant, durable, and of a more difficult Cure, and is only propagated or diſperſed by Infection, which is that Scurvy, which was ingendred at *Naples*, and is commonly left in the Body after the ſting of the Pox is taken off. This Scurvy is very common alſo here in *England*, and being miſtaken for the other kind of Scurvy by our Hackney-Phyſicians, is the cauſe why many are left incurable. This is that deep Scurvy, that was ingendred at *Naples*, by their moſt putrid feed-

ing, ſtinking Air, and particular conſtellation at that time, which then proved to be the Mother of the Pox.

ART. III.

Of the nature and kinds of the Pox.

7. MY fourth particular puts me in mind of the definition of the Pox, which *Ferrerius* defines to be a putrifaction of humours, contracted for the moſt part through Infection by Copulation, by communicating venemous exhalations and infected Spirits. *Steeghius* deſcribes the Pox to be a venomous quality, which for the moſt part is taken by

by a venereal contact, causing several kinds of pimples, Ulcers, pains, and other accidents. *Mercurial* saith, its a disposition against Nature, injuring the Natural Operations, through unknown means. The generality of Physicians define the Pox to be a hidden Disease, contracted by Malignant Vapors, that are communicated from a pocky Body. These definitions being partly false, and very imperfect, I shall set down one that's more full and plain, though not so perfect, as that I proposed in my greater *Venus Unmask'd*, that being framed only for Scholars. I say then, *The Pox is an universal moveable Disease, caused by venomous infectious steems, and attended with the worst and mildest, most and fewest, changeable and uncertain symptoms of all kinds.* The sense of this description I'le further explain to you. The Pox is an universal Disease, *i. e.* in respect

of the parts where its ſeated, for ſometimes its ſeated in the Liver, and then its attended with ſpots, pimples, and Ulcers; ſometimes in the Brain, and then its accompanied with Pocky Rheums and defluxions, Night-pains, Ulcers in the Palate, and Noſe; other times its ſeated about the privities only, or about the Breaſt, or any other part. 2. The Pox is an univerſal Diſeaſe, in regard it comprehends all kinds of Diſeaſes; for ſometimes its a hot Diſeaſe, witneſs the heat of Urine in the Running of the Reins, hot botches, pimples, *Buboes*, Rubies of the Forehead, and Pocky Fevers; other times, its cold, as appears by thoſe cold Pocky Night-pains, and cold hard Swellings; its likewiſe a moiſt Diſeaſe, as you may obſerve by its Ulcers, Pocky Gouts, Rheums, or defluxions. Its not ſeldom found to be a dry Diſeaſe, namely, when it turns into a *Pocky Hectick.*

Hectick. Laſtly, level'd Noſes, devoured Palates, and Limbs put out of joynt by pocky *Nodes* conclude the Pox to be a Diſeaſe of *confirmation, number, magnitude, ſituation, and diſcontinuated unity.* In ſhort, the Pox is a Monarch, all other Diſeaſes are its Subjects, for there is no Diſeaſe, but one time or other is noted to accompany it. The Pox is movable in three Particulars. 1. Its movable, skipping like a Graſs-hopper, from one part to another, to wit, from the part that was firſt infected to the Liver, thence to the Brain, and ſo patrouls round, till it hath made an entry and ſeiſin upon the entire mannour of the Body, 2. In moving out of one Diſeaſe into another, from a hot, to a cold Diſtemper, from an inflammation into an Ulcer, from an Ulcer into a carnoſity, thence into a conſtipation or ſtoppage. 3. It moves from one ſymptom

to another, from a ſcalding Urine, to the Running of the Reins, thence to pocky ſpots and pimples, and thence to Ulcers and Night-pains, and thence again into Conſumptions and Hectick Fevers. I ſaid the Pox was attended with the *worſt and mildeſt, moſt and feweſt ſymptoms*, that is, ſometimes the Pox is uſhered with very Malignant torturing accidents or ſymptoms, as racking Night-pains, and filthy Ulcers or running Sores; other times again its accompanied with very mild accidents, as ſpots only or pimples, or ſome ſlight joint-pains; ſometimes again the Pox hath a great many followers; often times very few, it may be a pimple, two or three, or a botch three or four only, *&c.* Laſtly, the ſymptoms of the Pox are very changeable and uncertain; for among five Thouſand pocky Bodies, you ſhall

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ſcarce find two troubled alike with the ſame accidents.

8. The Pox is uſually diſtinguiſht into a ſlighter, and worſer ſort, the ſlighteſt ſort of all is, when only the Hair of the Head and Beard ſheds, and then the venom conſiſts in a vapour, that's flown to the Roots of the Hair: The ſecond kind is ſomewhat worſe, wherein the whole Skin is markt with red yellow ſpots, and there the venom ſits in the thinneſt of the Blood. The third ſort is yet worſe, and is the true Pox, where red and yellow pimples do firſt break out about the Forehead and Temples, and near the Ears, afterward on the Head, and over the whole body: they are round and dry without matter, which afterwards are covered with a dry Scab, and oft turn into foul Running Sores: Here the venom is in the Liver, and the whole Maſs of Blood. The Fourth and

and laſt degree, is, when the Pox gets into the Bones and Sinews.

9. The Pox is alſo diſtinguiſht into a *new* or *freſh* Pox, when its not of above a years ſtanding; into *rooted* or *confirmed*, which is from a year & two to three years; and into an *inveterate Pox*, when its above three years Old.

10. My practical Obſervations upon the motion of the Pox, have diſcovered to me a far more proper diſtinction, *viz.* The Pox like a Pilgrim on his road makes four ſtages. The Infection being yet ſeated in the outward part, that was firſt aſſaulted, namely, the Jaw, the Lips, Groin, Tets, *&c.* may properly be called a *Liminary Pox*, becauſe its yet as it were in the threſhold or entrance of the Body. The ſecond ſtage is at the fleſhy membrance, (*Membrana carnoſa*) where encountering with another ſtand, it is conſtrained to halt for a while; hitherto

therto we may term it the *Frontier Pox*, becauſe it is yet tracing the frontiers or confines of the Body; thence paſſing through the Fleſh of the Muſcles, and other membranes, makes a third halt at the proper membranes (or Skins) of the Entrails; here meeting the Pox at mid-way, we may properly ſtile it the *Mid-way Pox*. Thence it gallops ſtraight way to the depth of the Entrails, where with an authority its proclaimed a *Thorow Pox*. In this manner you may be aſſured the Pox moves, having traced its motion exactly in ſome hundreds of Bodies.

11. The Pox is ſometimes ſtiled *mild*, when poſſibly it begins with a dozen of pimples, a glancing pain of the Thighs, or Shins, a ſmall gleeting at the Yard, *&c.* Other times its termed *rough*, and Malignant, aſſaulting the Patient with a green Running of the Reins, two *Buboes*, and a *Cryſtal-*

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lin, raging *Shankers*, a burning *Strangury*, and a Fever through fierceneſs of the pain; in the increaſe, ſtart up foul eating Ulcers, racking Night-pains.

12. Some ſorts of the Pox are more Infectious, others leſs. Sometimes its *hereditary*, or got from ones Parents in the Womb, other times its got by Infection. Some kind of Pox is viſible and evident; other kind lieth hidden for ſome years, before it breaks out. *Hoſtius* writes of one, that got the Pox in his youth, and did not appear before he was grown Old. *Amatus* ſpeaks of another, who was troubled with a hidden Pox, and got two ſound Children, but the third proved Infected with a rank Pox. The Mother of thoſe Children enjoyed her Health very well, until ſhe was delivered of that laſt pocky Child, and then her Lips and Breaſt burſted out into the Pox. This pocky Boy

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was put to Nurſe, who in few days was Infected, and thereupon Infected her Husband, and two Children more, that ſhe gave Suck to. Theſe Children were no ſooner taken home, but Infected their Mothers; in ſhort, no leſs than Nine were Infected in a Months time. When I lived at *Paris*, I knew a whole Family, that was in the like manner Infected by a pocky Nurſe. Here in *London*, I have likewiſe taken notice of ſeveral Children, that died at Nurſe of the Pox, and therefore People ought to be well adviſed, to whom they put out their Children.

ART. IV.

Containing a further confirmation of the causes of the Pox.

13. MY next business is to treat of the cause of the Pox. I have made it appear to you already, that the Pox was not brought from the West-*Indies* hither; neither was it engendred out of Mans Flesh, for the *Cannibals*, and others, that feed altogether upon Mans Flesh, are seldom troubled with that Evil. I have likewise proved, the Pox was not begotten by a *French* Leper, because of the vast difference there is between the

the Leproſie, and the Pox.

Many affirm, the Pox was kindled by a Malignant conſtellation of the Planets, but let me tell you, had the mangy *French* crew been diverted from coming to *Naples*, the Pox would have continued among the Planets. Others impute the cauſe of the Pox to the common trade Whores drove with ſeveral Nations, whoſe Seed being forced and gathered together in one Womb, might occaſion a kind of a rotten Diſeaſe in the privities, like ſeveral ſorts of Meat, cauſe a corruption in the Stomach. But this ſeems improbable, becauſe there having been Whores from the beginning of the World, who drove a common Trade, they would neceſſarily have bred the Pox long before the Siege of *Naples*. It was the opinion of ſome, that the Pox was ſent into the *French* Camp by a *Neapolitan* Witch, whoſe Houſe they

they had Robbed; but this ſeems ridiculous to thoſe, that believe now Miracles are ceaſed, there be no Witches more in Nature.

Leonicenus believed, the Pox took its riſe, from a great overflowing of the River *Tyber*, which vomited up a deal of ſtinking rotten Bodies, into a tract of the Air, that drove towards *Naples*, where it ſoon kindled the Pox. This is unlikely, ſince the ſame River had overflown many times before, without cauſing ſuch a contagious Diſeaſe.

The *Germans* were of opinion, that feeding too oft upon Peaſe and Bacon might breed the Pox, and therefore their Magiſtrates forbad the ſelling of all ſorts of Peaſe. This opinion is ſo unreaſonable, that it needs no confutation.

3. After the recital of all theſe opinions, touching the outward cauſe or the firſt occaſion of the Pox, its time I ſhould bend my diſcourſe

diſcourſe to a diſcovery of the inward cauſe, which by the generality of modern Phyſicians is concluded to be a hidden Malignant cauſe, or certain Malignant ſteems, that paſs from one Body into another, effecting ſuch pocky accidents (or ſymptoms,) by hidden means. But our modern Authors and Phyſicians are very full of their hidden cauſes and hidden Diſeaſes, which to me ſignifies no more than *fa*, *fa*; and therefore ſhall proceed to give my Reader a plainer and more ſatisfactory reſolve. I have already clearly proved to you, that the Pox had its firſt riſe from a complication of a Scurvy, with a mangy Itch, and a commixture of both their cauſes; ſo that ſhewing the inward cauſes of a mangineſs and Scurvy, you may thence collect the inward cauſe of the Pox. The inward cauſe of an *Endemick* Scurvy is thick dreggiſh Blood, that

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begins to fret, and grows fiery ſalt and gnawing; the inward cauſe of mangineſs is a burnt red Gall, or rather aduſt blood volatilized, which through its fierineſs renders the Blood fiery ſalt, and itching. Now ſuppoſe a *Frenchman*, that is troubled with an extreme fiery itching mangineſs, by reaſon of the fierineſs of his Blood, and acting the part of a furious Goat, with a fretted *Neapolitan* Whore, that's troubled with a deep fiery Scurvy, the very eſſence of this Salt, fiery and itching Blood flyeth out in ſteems into the Body of the *Neopolitan* Whore, where meeting with the ſteems of her fiery gnawing Scorbutick Blood, to unite and knit together into perfect little ſteemy Bodies, or atoms, which you muſt neceſſarily conceive to be very Malignant, ulcering, gnawing, and fiery, ſo that the next that converſes with this Whore, muſt needs draw theſe ulcering

ulcering ſteems into his Body, where through their gnawing, malignant and ulcerous quality, they cauſe a Running of the Reins, or Ulcers in the Yard, or other pocky accidents. Next, ſuppoſe theſe little pocky ſteemy Bodies being drawn into the Body, have a power of breeding and multiplying into other pocky little Bodies of their own kind, and having filled the veins and arteries with ſuch pocky gnawing ſteems, they cauſe ſcurfy pimples, gnawing pains and Ulcers all over the Body. So now I have in few words and very plainly unfolded the cauſes of the Pox, and all its ſymptoms, which poſſibly hath not been performed before; and if this ſhort Diſcourſe will not ſatisfie, read my greater *Venus Unmask'd*, and that very probably may.

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ART. V.

Of the Signs, Symptoms, and Prognosticks of the Pox, Running of the Reins, Buboes, and Shankers.

14. TO describe the signs and symptoms, or accidents of the Pox; it will be expedient, First, to set down what pickle a Man finds himself in presently after he conversed with a pocky Wench, namely a sharpness of Urine, and pressing to make water, though he made water but just before; a heat in his Yard, which soon after occasions an erection, and consequently a desire

ſire to repeat his former act, and ſo having finiſht his complement once more, he immediately begins to dribble hot and ſharp Urine by little and little, or ſometimes by drops only; the next day he finds himſelf ſore all about his Limbs, dull, heavy, and melancholy, and a little gleeting at his Yard, eſpecially if he ſqueeſe it out hard with his hand; two, or three, or four days after, he may ſqueeſe out a greaſie yellow matter; ſome Eight, Ten, Twelve, or Fourteen days after, (in ſome ſooner, and in others longer,) it begins to drop yellow and greeniſh, and ſtain his Shirt, which dropping is called a *Virulent Ghonorrhee*, or a pocky Running of the Reins.

15. This *Pocky Running of the Reins* is ſometime accompanied with a terrible hot pricking and ſmarting Urine, and an often *erection* of the Yard, feeling hard, and

and knotty like a Cord, and therefore its called a *Cordee*, which *Cordee* is extreamly pricking and painful, insomuch that one cannot endure to touch himself, nor suffer any thing else to touch him ; besides the extremity of the pain causes the Head of the Yard to turn downward, and seem crooked.

16. This is the common case Men find themselves in, though some again may trade with the same Wench, that gave others a Running of the Reins, and may get off with heat and sharpness of Urine, a few slight flying pains of the Shins, Thighs, and Arms, without any thing else. Others again escape the Running of the Reins, and sharpness of Urine, and some Seven or Eight Days after, or longer, get an eating Ulcer, or sore upon the Head of the Yard, or the Skin that covers it, or in the passage they make their water through ; This sort of eating Ul-

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cer is called a Shanker, which oft proves ſo Malignant, that in few days it will rot and eat off the whole Yard. Sometimes when there is a Shanker, or eating ſore in the *Urethra*, or paſſage of the Urine, there will be apt to grow proud Fleſh out of it, which cauſes one to piſs in double ſtreams, and in time doth quite ſtop up the paſſage, and ſo hinder one from making Water; this is called a *Caruncle*. Some upon a pocky adventure eſcape their forementioned accidents, but inſtead of 'em, they get a painful little button in their Groin, which is named a *Poulain*; this in few days will grow bigger, red, and inflamed; ſometimes to the bigneſs of a Pidgeons or Hens Egg, and then its termed a Venereal *Bubo*, feeling full of pain, looks very red and angry, and for the moſt part the party hath a Fever with it, and a ſcalding Urine. Other times

there will appear a Blain or bliſter upon the *Glans* or head of the Yard, commonly called a *Cryſtallin*. *Venereal*, or *Pocky Wharts* generally grow about the *Prepuce*, (or the top of the Skin, that covers the Yard,) and upon the *Glans*, and ſometimes all over the Yard. *Pocky Grandoes* are little hard knots, of the bigneſs of a Pea, appearing in the ſame places pocky Wharts do. Women are troubled with the ſame accidents, and ſome others, *viz.* virulent Courſes, that look yellow or deep red, and are very hot and ſmarting, likewiſe *Virulent Whites*, being thick ſtreeky, and ſometimes thin, ſharp, and gnawing. Theſe are moſt of the accidents or ſymptoms of a Liminary Pox. Before I proceed further, I will tell you the different Opinions of Phyſicians upon a Running of the Reins. Moſt do judge the running to proceed from Ulcers of the Proſtats, they ſhould have

have ſaid *Veſiculæ Seminales*, being ſmall Bladders lying at the root of the Yard, that are made for little Ciſterns to keep the Seed in. This certainly is erroneous, for if thoſe miſtaken Proſtats, being ſpermatick, ſhould be Ulcered, and in part eaten away, they could never be cured and healed up, and ſo conſequently a man would be troubled with the Running for ever. Others are of Opinion, the running proceeds from a weakneſs of the ſaid ſpermatick, or ſeedy Veſſels, and ſo are rendred incapable of retaining the Seed. Here they ſuppoſe the matter, that drops out at the Yard, to gleet from the miſtaken *Proſtats*, if ſo, then neceſſarily they would be Ulcered by the gnawing quality of the infected Seed, and ſo conſequently as I ſhewed before, be rendred incurable. But after all, its certain, that the matter that drops out at the Yard, is neither Seed nor ſeedy;

for Seed be it never ſo much altered, hot, yellow, or green, yet it will keep its clammineſs and be ropy, ſo that it may be drawn from one another between ones fingers, whereas that which gleets in the Running of the Reins, is not at all clammy or ropy, nor can it be drawn between the fingers, but falls all into ſmall drops, and is perfect matter, ſuch as is bred in Ulcers. Beſides, ſhould all that dropping in a pocky running, be Seed, it would waſt a man to nothing; moreover, its common for men, that have a pocky running upon them, to beget ſound Children, which is a ſign the Seed is free from infection for ſome time. Wherefore I conclude the pocky Running of the Reins to be an Ulcer of all the whole Yard, where the Infection turns its clammy humours into perfect matter (or *Pus*) which gnaws its way out, through the *Ure hra*, or paſſage of the Urine.

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That this is ſo, is evident. 1. In a *Gonorrhee* the Yard is generally ſwelled all over. 2. The Yard is hot, and full of pain all over, by reaſon of the gnawing pocky matter it contains within the pores of its ſpungy Fleſh. 3. That that virulent or pocky matter doth ſweat through, or gnaw its way through into the *Urethra*, doth appear hence, that if one preſs the Yard cloſe about the middle, ſo that no matter may paſs from the root, (where the miſtaken *Proſtats* are ſuppoſed to be,) and with his other hand *gently* ſqueeſe it near the *Glans*, or the top, he ſhall in ſo doing preſs out a great quantity of matter out of the Body of the Virge, which cannot be ſuppoſed to come from the *Proſtats*, becauſe his other hand intercepts or keeps that in, which otherwiſe might be thought to proceed thence. Beſides there is a pricking pain all along in the *Urethra*, which is nothing but the

gnawing biting matter, that bores through, out of the Body of the Yard into the *Urethra.* Laſtly, obſerve that though for a long time this matter is not ſeedy, yet afterwards it grows *mucous,* clear and ropy, by reaſon the pocky ſteems do at length ſo weaken the Proſtats, that they are apt to ſhed their *mucus,* which is alſo the cauſe, why the gleeting proves ropy and clear at laſt, when a Running of the Reins is almoſt Cured.

To theſe I'le add a new ſymptom of a *Liminary Pox,* former Ages have not been ſubject unto, *viz.* A retraction or *Contraction of the Virge*; Which in ſome appears ſo much retracted into the Body as it were, that ſcarce any part elſe remains viſible but the *Glans.* This ſymptom hath ſeldom any other accompanying it than a ſharpneſs and heat of Urine, and a frequent deſire to make Water.

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The Cure hereof is very difficult, which not being performed according to Art, turns into a more Malignant Pox.

Likewiſe the neck of the *Matrix* in Women is ſubject to be contracted and ſhrunk by a venereal Malignity.

ART. VI.

Comprehending the Signs of a Frontier, Midway, and Thorow Pox.

17. THe Signs of a *Frontier* Pox, or the beginning of a true *French* Pox, are, when the Skin is flouriſhed with red or yellow ſpots, like Flea-bites; ſometimes the Fore-head only is diſ-

graced with round hard pimples, like Mulberries, a little cruſty a top, and markt with black ſpecks, ſome being dry, others moiſt, and are oft diſperſed to the Ears, thence to the Neck, Arms, Shoulders, Breaſt, but chiefly to the Groin and *Perinæon*. Theſe pimples do oft vaniſh, and ſuddenly appear again, or ſometimes change into aduſt (or burnt) Ulcers. They are likewiſe ſubject to an univerſal itching of the Body, and a certain feeling, as if their whole Skin were prickt with Nettles. Some grow bald on their Head, others beardleſs and browleſs. They are oft troubled with laſſitude, or ſore Limbs, (eſpecially at waking from ſleep,) and a bloated Face, or ſometimes a ſhrunk Viſage ; their Eyes looking one time hollow, other times ſwelled.

18. The ſigns of a *Midway* Pox, are a ſtrange changeable ſoreneſs of the Gums, ſometime feeling looſe,

looſe, as if the Teeth would fall out, other times bound or pincht; an itching, red, yellow, or blewiſh ſwelling of the Gums, a walking or twingeing Jaw-ach, a Chin-ach; a pain of the Head a little above the Nape of the Neck, a ſwimming of the Brain, a continual tinning noiſe in the Ears, aptneſs to be deaf and hard of hearing; ſharp defluxions into the Throat, (whence proceed thoſe pocky hoarſneſſes, and loſs of the Palat) Noſe, and other parts; a filthy dandrif of the Head, Beard, and Brows, a yellow or blewiſh circle about the Eyes; thinneſs of the upper and under Eye-lids; ſwellings and botches of all colours; rotten or ſtraining Cough; a hot belching of the Stomach; a rotten, ſtinking Breath, ſtinking ſweats in the Night; a drabby white Urine, with few or no contents; quick, low, ſoft, Pulſes. Their Blood after Bleeding looks blewiſh,

or like aſhes. Heats riſing from the Loins to the Stomach, Breaſt, Shoulders, up the Head; aptneſs to be Feveriſh every day; ſome grow very lean with the Pox, others grow fat with it, but their fat is yelloweiſh, greeniſh, or wateriſh; their looks are very changeable, ſometimes for a day, three or four, they will look very well, afterwards again they look with an unwholſome colour, it may be yellow, greeniſh, blewiſh, or ſwarthy; Ulcers that are foul, hard, and callous, or over cruſted with a blackiſh Scurf, the Fleſh being raw and deep red. Walking pains between the Joints, deep hard fiſſures in the Plants of the Feet, Palms of the Hands, Tets, Fundament, Lips, and *Peterygomata*; thick, ſore, inflamed Lips, gleeting a thin ſharp Water, covered ſometime with a black Skin, or thin limber Scurf, that eaſily peels off; broad, dry, uneven Scabs, ſtraggling about the Body;

dy; outward crusty Ulcers of the Nose, and rotten eating Ulcers within it, a rottenness of the Bones of the Nose; a Malignant *Polypus*, or purple piece of Flesh growing within the Nose; Malignant Fistula's or Issues about the Eyes; pocky painful Piles, Malignant Swellings and Fistula's of the Fundament; eating Ulcers and Inflammations of the Palate, and Almonds under the Ears, a Cancered creeping Thrush, scabby Eye-lids, a Malignant Inflammation of the Eye, a bleer dimness of the Eyes, the Whites whereof oft turn yellow, reddish, or blewish, great ugly Warts about the Hands, Lips, and Face, Tetters of the Face, Breast, Belly, and Privities.

19. The signs of a *Thorow* Pox, are furious Night-pains in the Joints, fixt insufferable Head-aches, gnawing worse in the Night; immoveable, bruising, retching, and pricking Shin-pains, Shoulder and Wrist-

Wriſt-pains ; deep gnawing, devouring gangrenous Ulcers, and deep rottenneſſes of the Bones; inward Ulcers of the Spleen, Kidneys, Bladder, and Liver ; a pocky Pthiſick, or a pocky Conſumption and Hectick Fever ; a pocky blindneſs ; Tophes or hard Knots about the Joynts, Nodes, or Bumps about the Head and Joynts ; Gums or ſoft broad Swellings of the bigneſs of an Egg, or ſometimes of a penny Loaf, burſting out into a white glew ; others are flat hardneſſes, as thoſe that grow to the Shins, Skull, and Arm-bones, Impoſthums of all kinds, *&c.*

20. A Child gets the Pox oft times from a Pocky Nurſe, by ſucking her Breaſts, and then it appears in eating Scabs, and purple Blains at the Lips, likewiſe ſmall red burning Pimples about the Lips, Ring-worms about the Chin, Inflammations of the Lips and inſide of

of the Mouth, a Malignant fiery Thruſh.

21. The ſame ſigns appear, when a Man gets the Pox by kiſſing pockey Lips. The ſigns of a pocky Nurſe, are creeping purple Pimples about the Nipple, with black ſpots upon 'em, the Nipple Inflames, and is apt to be cloven. After all this take notice, that ſeldom or never all the ſigns do meet in one Body, but only ſuch as are agreeing with the complexion; as thoſe of a ſanguin complexion, are troubled with red ſpots, pimples about their Fore-head, and over their whole Body; others of a phlegmatick conſtitution, with Night-pains, and hard ſwellings. Pocky Ulcers commonly attend cholerick Bodies. Some again are marked with a great number of ſigns, others with two or three only. Laſtly obſerve, that many of theſe forementioned ſigns do accompany other Diſeaſes, as pimples,

ples, Ulcers, and Night-pains, which I'le inſtruct you how to diſtinguiſh. 1. If pimples, Ulcers, or pains do appear after a Man hath had to do with a common Woman, its very probable they are pocky. 2. If a Man be troubled with pimples, Ulcers, or pains, upon a Running of the Reins, ſwelling in the Groin, or eating ſore of the Yard, they are likewiſe pocky. 3. Pocky pimples generally have a black ſpeck a top, which peels off like Scurf. Pocky Night-pains are for the moſt part felt in the middle of a Limb, between the two Joynts, deep in the Fleſh, and next to the Bone. They begin to rage in the Evening, and ceaſe in the Morning at Sun-riſing.

Women are troubled with the ſame ſymptoms Men are, *viz.* being Clapt, their Urine is hot, pricking, and ſmarting, carries a ſtrong ſtink with it when its made,

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and is full of whitiſh ſands and darkiſh Hairs; they moreover feel themſelves ſo ſore in thoſe parts, that they cannot endure the leaſt touch without a wry Face. They are likewiſe oft troubled with a Running of the Reins, in every particular reſembling that in Men, which they oft find themſelvs miſtaken in, judging it another accident, which they term the Whites. They are likewiſe ſubject to *Buboes*, *Shankers*, *Cordees* of the *Clitoris*, *Warts*, *Puſtles*, *Ulcers*, and *Night-pains*.

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ART. VII.

A true Chronology of the Pox.

22. THE Pox at its firſt birth in the Camp at *Naples*, was far rougher than now it is; for then where it ſeized, it inſtantly lamed the Patient in all his Limbs, dozed his intellectuals, and caſt him into a continual ſleeping poſture, frights, fears, Melancholy, and an eſtranged countenance. Oft times they were ſurprized with an eating *Shanker*, which in a day or two at moſt would eat off the whole Yard; ſoon after their Eyes, Noſe, Lips, and Palate of the Mouth, would be rotted off, whereupon followed a hoarſneſs,

hoarſneſs, ſome ſpoke whiſpering, others quite loſt their Speech, and all their Teeth, after this they would break out into Cancerous eating Ulcers or Sores, all their Bodies over, that would rot the bone in few hours; moreover they were wrackt with moſt raging Head-aches, and pains about their Bones, that never ſuffered them to ſleep, but ſlumber, and then they were apt to be frighted with moſt horrid Dreams and Viſions; their ſweat ſtunk at a great diſtance, all which in few days guided the Patient to his Tomb. This Fury the Pox continued for Thirty years, and then grew ſomewhat milder, not rotting the Eyes, Noſe, nor Teeth; decreaſed in pimples, and appeared moſt in Gums and pains. Some Thirty years after that, the Pox did not ſhew it ſelf in any pimples, but increaſed in pains, Ulcers, and Tumors. Thirty years after that again, the Pox appeared with four

four new ſymptons; the firſt was a ſhedding of the Hair of the Head, Brows, Eye-lids, and Beard. The ſecond new comer was a Running of the Reins. The third was the loſs of the Nails; and the fourth a tinning noiſe in the Ears. About this time the Eyes and the Teeth began to ſuffer again. In what particulars its changed ſince, you may eaſily gather from the foregoing Diſcourſe.

ART. VIII.

Compriſing the Prognoſticks of the Pox.

23. WHat ſtate and danger misfortuned Patients are placed in, ought to be ſet down next: a Venereal ſcalding of the Urine if neglected, changes into an excoriation of the *Urethra*, thence unto eating Ulcers, which oft devour great pieces of Fleſh, and bore holes quite through, through which the Urine oft paſſes, as they make it. Thoſe Sores or Ulcers afterwards tend to incurable *Fiſtula*'s, or elſe grow out into proud Fleſh, thence called a *Caruncle*, which immediately cauſeth a ſtop-

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page of Urine, a ſymptom of very dangerous importance. A Venereal ſcalding of the Urine and a dribbling, otherwiſe called a *Strangury*, do oft through their Neighbourhood turn into an Ulcer of the Bladder, which for the moſt part proves incurable, if in the membranous part; though in the Fleſhy part admits ſometimes of a difficult Cure. A *Shanker*, if neglected, threats to devour the whole Member. A *Shanker* not being exquiſitely Cured, turns into a calloſity, which afterwards proves of very difficult Cure. Theſe calloſities ſometimes appear in the ſhape of a hard puſtle; othertimes grow flat, and are ſubject to vary in colour. A *Bubo* returning into the Body, foretells a Pox; if hard and difficult to ripen, ſignifies a ſtrong Infection. A Running of the Reins after Eight Months proves obſtinate. A ſecond *Gonorrhee* upon a former, though Cured, is

is oft of a worſe conſequence, than a ſingle *Frontier Pox* without a *Gonorrhee*. A third *Gonorrhee* after a tedious Cure ſometimes leaves an incurable gleeting behind it. A *Gonorrhee* iſſuing immediately in a yellow or greeniſh matter, is inſtantly attended with a *Cordee*, and foretels a long Cure. A *Gonorrhee* that did not burſt out before Ten, Fifteen, or Twenty days, after the Infection, proves to be of a difficult Cure. A yellowiſh *Gonorrhee* upon amendment turns white and thick, thence white and thin. A *Gonorrhee* thats ſtopt by adſtringent Medicines immediately burſts out into joynt pains, *Buboes*, or Inflammations of the Cods. A *Gonorrhee* grows much worſe upon frequent converſes with Wenches before a Cure. Sometimes a *Gonorrhee* will ſtop of it ſelf, and then commonly burſts out again more violently, it may be a Month after, and ſometimes Eight,

Eight, Ten, or Twelve Months after, as I have obſerved in ſeveral without the leaſt renewing of their accident: The ſame happens now and then, if a *Gonorrhee* be ſtopt by adſtringents. I have known the Cure of an ordinary virulent *Gonorrhee* continued a whole year together, though performed with as much exactneſs as experience and the Rules of Art could preſcribe, and yet to little purpoſe; Which notwithſtanding I have Cured by frequent Bleeding, two or three *Boluſſes* of *Caſſia* and *Manna*, with a Decoction of Mallows and Plantain, and the addition of the mucilage of Gum Arabick. So that you are to ſuppoſe that the virulency was extinguiſht by the former Cure; and the Flux of acrimonious and torrid humours diverted by the Bleedings and purges; and the Acrimony obtuſed by the Decoction, whereupon the ſpermatick parts ſoon recovered their former

former temperament, together with their retentive faculty. A *Confirmed Pox* ſucceeding a puſtulous *French Pox*, proves of an eaſie Cure. A Pox upon a *Bubo* that's hard, or is ſtruck inwards, turns to a Night Head-ach, *Nodes*, *Gums*, and Ulcers of the Palate, and ſtoops to no ſlight Cure; a Pox upon a Running of the Reins turns to Puſtles, and ſtragling Ulcers, and is eaſier Cured than the former; upon a ſcalding of the Urine it turns to ſome few Puſtles of an eaſie Cure; upon a *Shanker*, changes into Nocturnal Night-pains, and thoſe obborn. In general, a *Liminary Pox*, as a *Gonorrhee*, *Shanker*, &c. are eaſily Cured. A *Frontier*, and a *Midway Pox* being Chronical are of an indifferent ſubmiſſion to remedies; but a *Thorow Pox* is incurable. A *Maiden Pox* promiſes an eaſie Cure, but a relapſt Pox, or a Pox upon a former Pox is difficult. Rough venereal pains,

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or *Gums*, *Tophes*, or gnawing Ulcers without the fore-going or attendance of Puſtles, threaten more miſchief, than if they were attended with them. Joynt-pains without Ulcers, or malign Ulcers without pains increaſe the Evil. Malignant ſymptoms, as many devouring Sores, furious pains, *Tophes*, *Gums*, *Nodes*, rottenneſs of the Noſe, a devoured Palate, *&c.* argue an ill buſineſs; and ſo the Cure differs, according to the fierceneſs of ſymptoms, the age of the Diſeaſe, ſtrength and temperament of th Patient. The breaking out of m ny red Puſtles, not painful, a eaſily ripening; likewiſe ſoft T mors, require no tedious Cure.

The Pox of it ſelf kills no man, but after a long Travail fixes at laſt upon one ſymptom, as a pocky Hectick, Ulcer of the Kidney, or Bladder, Conſumption of the Lungs, Meagrim, *Node*, *Tophe*, Dropſie, Night-pains, *&c.* Which ſeldom leave

leave the Patient on this ſide the Grave. A Tinning within the Ears, Deafneſs, Blindneſs, and loſs of Speech are unrecoverable. Boys or Girls as they are more expoſed to Infection, ſo their Cure is eaſier. Old folks are in leſs danger of a blaſt, but once ſtormed by an Infection, ſeldom or never are reſcued. A Man is eaſier Infected, and eaſier cured than a Woman. An *Hereditary* Pox is more refractory, than an Infection by drinking, kiſſing, or ſucking, and that's worſe than an Infection by copulation. Pocky Hecticks, Dropſies, are much eaſier mollified, than if occaſioned by other cauſes. Laſtly, any ſort of Pox, unleſs it be dextrouſly cured, is apt to leave an incurable Scurvy behind it.

ART. IX.

Containing ſome nice Queſtions relating to Venereal Infection.

24. *IN what part of the Body is the principal Seat of Pocky Infection?*

A. In the Spleen certainly; that conſiſting of a thick courſe ſubſtance, and a ſtrong ſharp ferment, ſeems the more diſpoſed to engender ſuch corroding ſaline ſteems, that cauſe the Pox.

25. *Why are the outward parts, being remote, more liable to Pocky Ulcers, pains and Tumors, than the Entrails, as the Liver, Spleen, &c. which are proclaimed by moſt Authors to be harths, or ſprings of Pocky ſteems,*

steems, and yet themselves remain free for a long time from those Pocky accidents?

A. Because the Pox first seising the Body from without, doth the easier injure the outward parts, being weaker than the inward ones, which are furnisht with strong spirits to keep out the Infection.

26. *What part is apt to receive the strongest Infection?*

A. The secret parts, which consisting of a loose, open, thin Flesh, do easily admit Infectious steems.

27. *How many ways doth the Pox distribute its Infection?*

A. By kissing, sucking, lying in the same Bed, and Copulation; that is thus, if ones Mouth, or Breast be beset with Pocky pimples, or Ulcers, then they are capable of Infecting, but not if sound though the Body were never so Pocky in the other parts.

28. *To what distance is the Pox Infectious?*

A. As far as the Pocky ſteems can be tranſmitted hot, which at fartheſt is not above a hand bredth or two.

29. *Two, three, or more, ſucceſſively mounting a Pocky Saddle, why ſhould ſometimes the firſt alone come off galled, or why other times the ſecond only, and the reſt come off clear?*

A. Becauſe in ſome Women of a cold complexion the Venome lies deep, and therefore the firſt not heating his Whore enough to extract the Venome, comes off clear, leaving the ſecond to keep the Iron hot, who carries away the pocky prize. But if the pocky Wench be of a hot Complexion, then the firſt is only in danger of a blaſt, leaving her in a colder temper to deal with his comrades, who therefore come off without any damage.

30. *Whence is it, that a Man diſgraced with an inveterate Pox, his*

his Wife is nevertheleſs guarded from the Infection?

A. It is poſſible for a Man to have had the Pox in his lower parts, and be Cured of it, though notwithſtanding may have a relick in other parts of his Body, and therefore may converſe with his Wife without doing her the leaſt wrong.

31. *Whether is Man-kind only ſubject to this Pocky Infection?*

A. The Diſeaſe is alſo common to Dogs; for my ſelf have ſeen a little Curr in *Holland*, that had a Virulent Running of the Reins, with ſeveral cruſty Ulcers upon his Body. Likewiſe in *Italy* many refrain eating Turkeys, becauſe a great number of them are Infected with the Pox.

32. *Whether a Man that is troubled with a Venereal Running of the Reins, doth not render his accident worſe, by converſing with common Women?*

A. As far as the Pocky ſteems can be tranſmitted hot, which at fartheſt is not above a hand bredth or two.

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30. *Whence is it, that a Man diſgraced with an inveterate Pox, his*

his Wife is nevertheless guarded from the Infection?

A. It is possible for a Man to have had the Pox in his lower parts, and be Cured of it, though notwithstanding may have a relick in other parts of his Body, and therefore may converse with his Wife without doing her the least wrong.

31. *Whether is Man-kind only subject to this Pocky Infection?*

A. The Disease is also common to Dogs; for my self have seen a little Curr in *Holland*, that had a Virulent Running of the Reins, with several crusty Ulcers upon his Body. Likewise in *Italy* many refrain eating Turkeys, because a great number of them are Infected with the Pox.

32. *Whether a Man that is troubled with a Venereal Running of the Reins, doth not render his accident worse, by conversing with common Women?*

A. Doubtleſs he muſt, for heating himſelf in ſo high a degree, and thereby opening the pores, muſt neceſſarily let in the Venome deeper into his Body.

33. *Whether a Woman tied to a Pocky Husband, can eſcape the Infection her ſelf, and yet give it to another?*

A. It is poſſible, and it hath happened, though it be a chance among a Million.

34. *Whether over frequent embraces between a Married couple can produce the leaſt ſpice of the Pox?*

A. It is vulgarly believed it may, many having contracted a yellow or greeniſh Running of the Reins, by being too liberal to their Wives; but this is a clear miſtake, the foreſaid Running being in no wiſe Virulent; neither is it poſſible it can ever grow ſuch, being only occaſioned by weakning the *ſpermatick Veſſels*, and thereby diſpoſed to receive ſharp Humours,

Humours, that cauſe the foreſaid Running by irritation.

35. *Whether one that is Clapt, doth diminiſh his Infection by converſing with a ſound Curtizan?*

A. On the contrary, he rather increaſes his accident; the reaſon extracted out of *P. r.* 30.

36. *Whether it be poſſible for a Man to enjoy his Health perfectly, ſo as to Eat, Drink, and Sleep well, and yet carry a hidden Pox about him?*

A. It is common for Men to look better, and have ſharper appetite than ever, for Six, Eight, Ten, and ſometimes Twelve Months, yet walk about with a green Virulent Gonorrhee, that being inſtead of an Iſſue, ſerving to evacuate and drain all the ſuperfluous Humours of the Body, whereby the Complexion muſt needs for a time be rendred clearer; and the appetite edged. Secondly, I have known ſome, that vaunted to have run

the greateſt Pocky hazards imaginable, without perceiving the leaſt hurt for ſome Years, who notwithſtanding after ſo long a time of perfect Health, have unexpectedly ſneezed ſeveral ſmall pieces of Bone out at their Noſe, being parts of the *Os Ethmoeides*, or *Criſta galli*, that was inſenſibly cariated or rotted by ſubtil pocky ſteems flying up to the Head. 3. About a Twelve-Month ſince, I Cured a Gentleman, that had a moiſt violent pain on a ſmall part of the *Bregma*, excurring no farther than the bredth of a Six-pence, being that kind of Head-ach, which Phyſicians uſually call *Clavus*, a ſpecies of a *Cephalæa*, though *Galen*, as I remember, *lib. de ocul.* Terms *Clavus* a Diſeaſe of the Eye. This torturing Head-ach my Patient had patiently endured for Three Months without having received the leaſt benefit from any Phyſician, he had applyed himſelf unto;

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But at last Fortune having conducted him to me, did make a narrow search, and found a small rising on his Head, not unlike a Node, whereupon I strictly enquired, whether he had not lately, or within a Year or two, conversed with some suspicious Woman; he answered, that about four Years ago he had contracted a Running of the Reins, but had been so well Cured of it, that from that time until the arrival of this pain, he had possest his Health better than ever. In short, having caused my Chyrurgion to open the part affected with a *potential cautery*, found the *Cranium* cariated, ruggid and blackish, which having ordered to be plained with a *Scalprum*, Cured him with my *Anti-venereal*. Whence it appears he carried this hidden Pox almost Four Years about him. 4. I have had several Women Patients, that had cherished a hidden Pox for

Five or Six Years, without diſcovering any ſenſible Diſeaſe all that time.

ART. X.

Touching the Preparative Cure.

37. A Venereal Patient in whatever degree, if his Body be full either or foul, firſt requires Bleeding, and purging, becauſe of making way for other ſpecifick Medicines. 2. Before the Patient may be purged, it is requiſite his Humours ſhould be prepared with a Pocky Digeſtive; as this following, which I have oft preſcribed with great ſucceſs. *Take ſhavings of Guaiac. Wood* ℔ ſs. *Spring-water* 3. qts. *Burdeaux Wine* 1. qt. *ſharp-*

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ned with ʒij. *of Sal. Tart. Boyl it to the conſumption of half, adding thereunto Polyp.* q. *Cartham Seeds* ʒij. *Epithym.* ʒſs. *Liquoriſh and Fennil Seeds of each an Ounce. Raiſins* ʒij. boyl it a little longer, and ſtrain it. The Doſe is from ʒiv. to viij. Mornings and Evenings, for three Days. This is alſo a Decoction of excellent vertue againſt a Catarrhous Conſumption; as you may Read in my *Anatomy of Engliſh Conſumptions.*

The Body being thus prepared, you may proceed with any of the following Methods.

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ART. XI.

The Primitive Cure.

38. THe *Primitive*, or the first invented Method of Curing the Pox, consisted in purging the Patient with the decoction of *Senny*, and anointing his Joynts in a hot Room for 30 Days together, with a drying Oyntment, composed chiefly out of Alom, Nitre, Brimstone, *&c.* The *Unguent. Saracenic.* Described by *Villa Nova*, was in great esteem among them.

Observ. *The Pox in its primitive, partaking more of a scabby Itch, than a Scurvy, was properly enough, and with good success, Cured with a drying*

drying Ointment, especially when they began to mix Mercury with it; But now the Pox rather more resembling the features of its Mother Scurvy, than those of its Father Mangineſs, requires a Cure much different from the former.

ART. XII.

The Hermaphroditick Cure.

39. THe *Hermaphroditick Cure* is ſo called from the commixture of Heterogeneous Minerals, Viz. *Antimony* and *Mercury*, uſed in manner following.

Take Antimony Reſuſcitate from gr. 4. *to* gr. 8. *or* 10. *M. Sublim. Dul. from* gr. 15. *to* 25. *Conſerve of Roſes, as much as will make it into*

into a Bole. This is to be taken every other Day, for three times. The following four Days theſe Pills are to be taken. R. *Antim. ter deton. a* gr. 15. *ad* gr. 30. *or Cerus. Ant. a* gr. 15. *ad* 20. *Sublim. Diaphor. a* gr. 7 *ad* 15. *Flor. Sulphur. a* gr. 6. *ad.* 10. *Ol. junip a gut.* 2. *ad* 4. *ſyr melis.* q. s. *M. f. Pil.* 3. *pro. una doſi.* After that, the Patient is to take the forementioned Bole over again, and then to repeat the Sweating Pills for Four or Five Days. And laſt of all to take the Bole once over again.

Obſerv. *With this ſort of Cure I have remedied many a* **Frontier Pox**; *Though in a Midway, and Thorow* **Pox** *prevails little, and therefore it is no wonder many have fallen ſhort in this Cure, ſince it is impoſſible for any but an Experienced Phyſician, either to prepare the Medicines exactly, or being prepared to apply them to the right degree of the Diſeaſe.*

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ART. XIII.

The Herculean Cure.

40. THE *Herculean Cure* handles the Diſeaſe with great force, by raiſing a fluent Salivation, being performed by taking this Bole 4, 5, 6, or 7, times. Re. *Mer. dul. a* ℈j. *ad* ℈ij *Agar. r. trochiſc. a* gr. 6. *ad* 12. *Thereb. ven. q. s. m. f. Bol.* or make uſe of this following, being ſomewhat ſtronger. Re. *Præc. alb. d. a* gr. 5. *ad* 10. *Antim. Diaph. a* gr. 4. *ad* 10. *Thereb. ven. q. s. m. f. Bol.* Another, Take *Subl. Corr.* abſtract from it once or twice *Aq. Reg.* Put to this as much *crude merc.* and grind them well together in a Glaſs Mortar, and dulcifie it.

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Take of this *Mer. ſubl.* d. from *gr. 6. to* 12. *Flor. Merc. Argent.* from gr. 1. *to* 2. *Bezoart. mint.* from gr. 3. *to* 6. *Syr. Alth.* Enough to make it into a Pill or two. Another, Take *Præc. rub.* d. from *gr. 3. to 6. Turb. mind. Lond.* from *gr.* 2. *to* 4. *Conſerve of Roſes*, enough to make it into a Bole. This, if too weak, may be rendred ſtronger by adding half a grain, or a grain or two grains at moſt of *Præc. Corr.* to a Doſe.

Obſerv. *No Cure is attended with greater danger, than that which is endeavoured by Salivation, and yet none more practiſed by Chirurgeons, and ſome raſh Phyſicians too. Some Eight Years ago my Apothecary, that lived in* Baſin-Lane, *brought to me an elderly Man, who upon an impure Copulation got a large* Bubo, *which I ordered ſhould be brought to ſuppuration, and preſcribed him a Doſe of Pills, to expel the Venome out of the inward parts. The next Day neglecting*

neglecting my course, he was advised by a Friend to a Chyrurgion, who immediately puts him into a Salivation, which on the Eighth Day carried him off. Likewise a certain Woman I saw in Holbourn, *who in the midst of her Salivation bad her Friends good Night. It is also publickly known, that a Physician not long after the Plague-Year was Indicted at the Sessions, to give a reason of his Patients Miscarriage in the middle of his Salivation. In short, I must tell you, that hundreds have been shuffled out of their Lives here in* London *by this sort of Cure, and that for neglecting to prepare the Patients Body, and the want of skill to prepare their Medicines. Though of late many have made use of my Bole prescribed in this Art: who find a small quantity of Agaric doth much obtund the malignity of the Mercury, and cause an easie fluent Salivation; Yet notwithstanding all this, all Venereal Diseases will*

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not be Cured by Salivation, but are (*like* Cancers) *ſometimes rendred worſe, and unfit for other Cures. In the Year 66. A very worthy Gentleman applied himſelf to me for Cure, having been Salivated Four times, and laſt of all with the unction, his Night-pains were rather increaſed, and the Ulcer he had in his Palate grown larger. Finding his Body to be extreamly dried and exhauſted, adviſed him to a nouriſhing and moiſtning Broath for a Month, and afterwards Cured him with eaſe in Five Weeks. On the other ſide, there are ſome Bodies, and ſome kinds of Pox, that are eaſily Cured by Salivation, (provided it be performed by a judicious hand) and will not ſtoop to any other ſort of Cure. What Bodies and kinds of Infection thoſe are, is the greateſt Miſtery to diſcover.*

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ART. XIV.

The Gigantean Cure.

41. THe *Gigantean Cure* is only proper for ſuch Bodies as cannot be Salivated by the laſt fore-mentioned, and therefore muſt ſteer the courſe preſcribed here, *viz.* Anointing the Wriſts, Palms of the Hands, Feet, Shins, Shoulders, Elbows, and ſometimes the Back-bone, once a Day, and ſometimes twice, for Three, Four, Five, or Six Days, but preparing the Body before, by purging with *Confectio Hamech*, our before mentioned Antivenereal Bole, *Mercurius vitæ*, *&c.* and Bleeding if neceſſary. The form of the Unguent, which I have ſometimes preſcribed

preſcribed to Souldiers, that were brought to the Hoſpital I was Phyſician to, is as followeth. Take *Mercury being well waſht with Vinegar, and extinguiſht with Juice of Lemons, or Turpintine, from three Ounces to ſix, Antimony crude from one Ounce to an Ounce and a half, Hogs Greaſe Ten Ounces, Oyl of Bayes Two Ounces*, make them up into an Oyntment. This is to be rubbed into the parts aforeſaid, from half an Ounce, to an Ounce and a half.

Obſerv. *This Cure carries much more danger with it than the foregoing, and therefore is not to be thought upon, without the advice of an Experienced Phyſician, ſeveral having miſcarried in it. And indeed a Patient had better half hang himſelf, than undergo this Cure, there being nothing comparable to the pain in their Mouth, anguiſh about their Heart and ſides, and the extream thirſt*

thirſt they endure, having like Tantalus *their Mouth full of Water, and yet ready to periſh for want of Drink. Neither is this all, ſome growing* Phrenetick *in the Cure, others* Paralytick, *and* Apoplectick. *Further, I have known ſeveral, who before their Salivation had their Noſe and Palate ſound, and afterwards loſt part of both by the ſtream of malignant Humours, that were conveyed thither by Salivation.*

ART.

ART. XV.

The Vulcanous Cure.

42. THe *Vulcanous Cure* is only applied to courſe Bodies, affected with a difficult Pox. It is performed by ſmoaking the Patient into a Salivation, with Trochiſces made after this form. Take of the beſt *Vermillion* from one Ounce to ten Drams, *Benzoin*, *Gum guaic*. *Frankincenſe*, of each one Ounce, *liquid ſtorax* enough to make them into Trochiſces of half an Ounce weight.

Obſerv. *This Cure is akin to the former, but overtops it in danger, by cauſing ill ſymptoms, though notwithſtanding*

notwithſtanding hath its uſe in ſome caſes.

ART. XVI.

The Cure a Poſta.

43. THe *Cure a Poſta* concerns only Curing a freſh *Maiden Pox*, in Six or Seven Days, by offering the Patient a juſt Doſe of *Arc. Coral.* from *gr.* 3. *to* 6. *Præc. Penoti* from *gr.* 2. *to* 4. *Turb. m. Paracelſi*, not that of *London*, from *gr.* 2 *to* 4, or 5. Three or Four Days together, or every other Day. Upon this he is to Drink a Decoction of *Lign. Sanct.* for a Fortnight.

Obſerv. *The Tools of this Cure have a very ſharp edge, and therefore he*

he that uſes them, ought to know the nature of them, and where they are made. An Engliſh Gentleman at Venice, *having ſtained his skin with ſome Pocky ſpots, took a Doſe of* Præcip. *from a Chirurgion, which having wrought well, took another Doſe with the ſame ſucceſs; but being deſirous to clear his Body beyond all ſuſpition, ventured upon a third Doſe, which blowed him up to the Planets. The ſame fate befel a Trooper at* Weſtminſter *upon the taking a Doſe of the ſame from a great Army Chyrurgion.*

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ART. XVII.

The Grand Diet.

44. THe *Grand Diet* is ſo called from the ſtrict Diet Patients are enjoyn'd to, *viz.* to Dine upon Meat rotten Roaſted, and Sup upon Biſcute and Raiſins. After the Body is well prepared in manner before mentioned, the Patient is to take a Decoction (made of *Lign. Guaiac. Sarſa*, and *Antimony* crude, tyed in a rag) twice a day, ſweating upon it for an hour, and Drinking no other Liquor for his ordinary Drink than a Second Decoction. As for *China* Root, I have wittingly omitted, as con-

taining no more vertue than Sawduſt.

Obſerv. *This Cure is no leſs tedious, than the fore-going are dangerous, Six Weeks being the ordinary time Patients are confined to their Chambers; and perhaps after they have been thorowly roaſted in their Tubs, they come out as rotten as they went in; and therefore in* Venice *the Phyſicians to make ſure work, protract their Grand Diet to three Months, by which means I remember, ſeveral have been dried into Hectick Fevers, and ſoon after into their Tombs.*

ART. XVIII.

The Indian Cure.

45. THE *Indian Cure* is moſt ſucceſsfully performed in St. *John*'s Iſland, where ſuch as cannot be cured in *Europe*, are certainly remedied in a Fortnight, with a Decoction of freſh twigs of *Guaiacum*, and a particular Diet upon Serpents, Frogs, and Toads roaſted.

ART. XIX.

The Negligent Cure.

46. THe *Negligent Cure* is ſo called, becauſe it doth not require ſo ſtrict an obſervance of Rules, but may be performed without keeping the Houſe, by taking Pills framed out of *Crude Mercury*, for 30 Days in form following. R. *Arg. viv. ſuc. lim. extinct. gum. guaiac. ana.* ℈ij. *Diagryd.* ℈j *ol. Junip. gut.* 15. *Thereb. ven. q. s. m. f. Maſs. pil. Doſ. a gr.* 15. *ad* 25.

Obſerv. *I have known ſeveral that have been fruſtrated by this Cure, though they had continued it for ſix, and ſome to Eight Weeks, whom afterwards*

terwards I Cured in leſs than three. Moreover Crude Mercury partaking of a great part of Lead is very Poyſonous, and therefore no wonder, if he, that eſſayed to take Pill. Barbar. at firſt, fell down dead upon the Bridge of Avignion.

Obſerv. 2. *It is within a few Days of my remembrance, that a Gentleman demanded my ſentiment upon his misfortune, which was no other than a Calloſity upon the Glans, being the remainder of an Empirical Cure of a Liminary Pox, performed by an unskilful Chyrurgion. The apprehenſion of the danger that might enſue, was more diſcommodious than the pain (which was little or nothing,) or any other exorbitance of that ſymptom. This proved a moving cauſe of rendring himſelf to the hazardous Care of ſeveral Empiricks, but particularly to one, who treated him with the Blew Pill, vulgarly ſo called from the blew tincture, the*

crude Mercury contributes to the Maſs; otherwiſe it is called Pill. Barbaroſſæ *from the Inventor; The* Baſis *or principal ingredient being Quick-Silver. Three Weeks uſe of this Pill, deprived the party foremention'd of a great part of his hearing and ſpeech; and by conducting the torrent of his Infected Humours to the Throat, had occaſioned two Ulcers there. For the remedying of this his Tragical State of Body, he was put into a ſymptomatick Cure by an able Phyſician and noted Chyrurgion, (and therefore refuſed to receive him into my care) but I adviſed him he ſhould require his Doctor to preſcribe him a ſudorifick courſe with confinement, that being the neceſſary and the only effectual means to remove the malignant impreſſion of the Mercury, with the remainder of his preceeding Diſeaſe.* But ſince thoſe miſcreant and eſfroyable accidents are neceſſary conſequents of this negligent Cure,

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and notwithſtanding all that is undergone, for its conveniency of being performed without a confinement, and therefore is a moſt egregious veil for the ſhame-faced Mounſieur, I will ſet down a negligent courſe, which has proved no leſs ſucceſsful to many, than ſecure from all danger. For the preparation of the Blew Pill, the Crude Mercury muſt be exactly cleanſed from all duſt and mineral recrements, by running it through a Shammey Leather two or three times; afterwards muſt be as oft waſht in good Wine Vinegar, to free it from thoſe leaden particles, generally united with it, as appears by the *fæces*, when the Vinegar is ſeparated by exhalation from the black. Thirdly, it muſt be forced twice through a Retort from *Calx viva*, which ſerves to amortize thoſe arſenical mixtures, all Crude Mercury doth ſo frequently exert its malignity through. After all

theſe various tormentations of the Mercury, your ſight ſhall diſcover to you, that for purity, ſplendor, fluidity and tenuity, it is the Mineral, that may be reputed the *materia* of Gold and Silver, and in reſpect of ſecurity and immunity from danger, may as confidently be offered to many Bodies, as *Manna*. Of this refined Mercury take what proportion you pleaſe, and amortize it with a ſmall quantity of Venice Turpentine, by grinding them together in a Marble Mortar with a wooden Peſtle; by this means you will find, the Acid ſpirits that are latent in the Turpentine, have opened the body of the Mercury, and by coagulation detained its volatile and fugitive ſpirits, whereby its capacitated to work gently upon the malignities of Infected Bodies, and through the ſulphureous unctuouſneſs, or mollifying oleaginoſity of the Turpentine, the ſenſible parts, as Stomack,

Guts,

Guts, and Nerves, are wonderfully defended from the corrosive spirits of the Mercury. Whence I conclude this, the safest of all Mercurial extinctions, since what is extinguisht by Juice of Lemmons and other Acids, is not void of corrosion. Take of Mercury thus refined and amortized one Drachm, Extract of *Guaiac.* two scruples, *Bezoard. Mineral.* half a Drachm, Volatil Salt of *Succinum* fifteen Grains, *Extract. è duobus* half a Drachm, Venice Turpentine as much as suffices to make them into a Mass. The Dose is from half a scruple to half a Drachm.

For the Method of this Cure observe these Rules. First, cleanse the Body of all its Excrements and abounding Humours, with a Dose of *Mercurius vitæ,* from two Grains to six. But note, I do not mean that preparation in the *London Dispensatory,* being in most a fatal one. The next or the second Day

after, extract a proportionable quantity of Blood out of the right Arm. The third Day present the Patient with a Dose of those Blew Pills, and half an hour after, cause him to Drink a Dose of our Antivenereal Decoction, prescribed in the last Article; repeating the same Decoction at Four in the Afternoon and at Eight. This I can assure you is the safest and the most effectual method of all negligent Cures, that have hitherto been discovered; and now from a Charitable disposition is presented to you, to prevent those various disasters the dayly practise of Chyrurgions and Apothecaries do occasion. Read my greater *Venus*, where you will meet with other Methods of the negligent Cure.

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ART. XX.

The Pety Cure.

47. THe *Pety Cure* relates only to a ſlight Infection, as a pocky ſcalding of the Urine, commonly Cured with an *Emulſion* of the greater cold Seeds, a Purge two or three of *Caſſia*, *Rhubarb*, and *Cream* of *Tartar*. A *Gonorrhee*, or Running of the Reins is vulgarly Cured with a Purge two or three of *Caſſia*; A Bole of *Turpentine*, *Rhubarb*, and *Gum. Guaiac.* for 30. 40. or ſometimes 50. Days. Some do much commend *Quercetan's* Water of *Therebint*. Others prefer *green Precipitate* for 8. or 10. Days. It is a ſecret among ſome Phyſicians beyond Sea, to uſe the Infuſion of *Cantharides*. A *Bubo* is Cured by purging the Blood

Blood with an Antivenereal, and bringing it to maturation or diſcuſſion.

Obſerv. *A Gonorrhee being ſituated in a remote part of the* Body, *is not very eaſe of Cure ; ordinary Medicines fainting in their vertue before they can arrive thither. However, if it be not exactly Cured, it doth moſt certainly firſt or laſt, (like all other* Liminary *Infections do,) turn to the* Pox. *Moreover, it is not to be doubted, but few are well Cured, becauſe ſo many hundreds do fall into that contagious Lake. I could here inſert ſome very remarkable Cures of moſt inveterate Gonorrhees, did not my deſign of brevity countermand.*

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ART. XXI.

The Symptomatick Cure.

41. THe *Symptomatick Cure* directs Medicines for Curing urgent Pocky ſymptoms; *Viz. Ulcers, Nodes, Gums, &c.* for which this following is moſt excellent. R. *Merc. Subl. cor.* ʒvj. *Præc. rub. cor.* ʒij. *Spir. vin. rec.* ℔ ſs. *f. Digeſt. per. hor.* 24. *dein. decant. liq.* With this you muſt but juſt wet the Ulcers, or Fiſſures, and afterwards apply Tents or Pledgets that have ſoakt in the ſame Liquor, and are dryed again. For *Nodes*, and *Gums*, I never found any thing more excellent than my Emplaiſter of *Cinabaris*, deſcribed in my other *Venus Unmask'd.*

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Here take notice, that nothing is a more frequent cauſe of a Cancerous Ulcer of the Palate, than an untimely Salivation by Mercury, conveying all the malignity of the Body to the Palate and Noſe, where in very few days it devour: both. Neither have I ever ſeen in any Country ſo many levelled Noſes, and devoured Palates, as here in England, *and all cauſed by Mercurial Salivations. Therefore obſerve this as a ſtrict Rule, if the leaſt malignity appear about the Palate, Tonſils, or Noſe, to refrain Salivations beyond all Remedies, and rather endeavour to expel the Venome downwards, or through the Pores, or elſe certainly you will for ever diſgrace your Patient.*

Obſerv. 1. *Shun applying any unctuous Medicines, (as Oyls, Liniments, or unguents,) to venereal Ulcers, ſince they are apt to diſpoſe them to rot.*

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Obſerv. 2. *It is not the ſmalleſt dexterity in Phyſick to appeaſe the urgent ſymptoms of the Venereal Evil, which chiefly are.* 1. *Nocturnal pains.* 2. *That ravenous Ulcer of the Palate.* 3. *The Caries or rottenneſs of the Bone of the Noſe.* 4. *A Pocky Hectick, or Conſumption. Theſe four Symptoms threatning either a miſerable Death, or an abiding diſgrace, require immediate help, and that before the Cure of the Diſeaſe. Nocturnal pains are ſolaced, with an Antivenereal Anodyne. The Ulcer of the Palate ought to be ſtented with all poſſible ſpeed, or elſe the ſteems that fume thence to the Noſe, will immediately rot the Bones. As for Pocky Hecticks, their help is chiefly ſituated in Medicines, that are moderately moiſtning, and apt to oppoſe the Diſeaſe.*

Laſtly Obſerve, that all Diſeaſes, whether Fever, Gout, Head-ach, Phtiſick, Jaundice, &c. *happening in Bodies that have been formerly troubled*

troubled with any venereal Infection, though then Cured, are to be remedied with having a particular regard to the foregoing Infection. Therefore it is very neceſſary in ſuch Fevers, to uſe quantities of Bozoard. Mineral. *In Go..ts,* Saſſafras, *&c.*

I have now imparted to you the ſureſt and moſt choice Methods of Curing the Pox, whereby I have formerly Cured ſome hundreds; but having of late Years found other Methods, I make no further uſe of them: Though I muſt once again tell you, that ſome of them are moſt excellent methods, and far better than any the vulgar makes uſe of.

A

TREATISE

OF THE

Scorbutick Pox.

CHAP. I.

Comprizing the Deſcription of a Scorbutick Pox, and a neceſſary diviſion thereof.

IN Article 2. and 4. the Parentage of the Pox hath been manifeſtly declared to you, and if

if this Pocky darling be more reſembling its Mother Scurvy than Mangineſs, you may thence conclude, it emulates her nature in ſluggiſhneſs, obſtinacy, and other malign qualities; For as the Scurvy is obſerved to move ſlow in its ſymptoms, which are not very fierce, but ſufferable, though very importune, and of a moſt radicated fixation, ſo is a Scorbutick Pox. On the other hand a Mangy Pox appearing in Scabs, and cruſty Ulcers, being more maſculine, is a more ruggid gueſt, and a quick Traveller, that gives ſmart ſpurs to its fiery Nag, and therefore Gallops Poſt through the Body, which conſequently muſt ſoon jade the Patient. From this Diſcourſe you may deduce a moſt neceſſary diſtinction, *viz.* That the Pox is either a Scorbutick Pox, or a Mangy Pox, or a Scorbutick Mangy Pox partaking of both. The uſe of this diviſion is ſuch, that unleſs well

well underſtood, it is impoſſible any one ſhould dexterouſly Cure that Diſeaſe. Wherefore when a venereal Patient recommends himſelf to your Cure, you will ſhew your ſelf an Artiſt in making the forementioned diſtinction; for concluding it is a Scorbutick Pox, you muſt apply a method diſtinct, from what Cures a Mangy one.

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well understood, it is impossible any one should dexterously Cure that Disease. Wherefore when a venereal Patient recommends himself to your Cure, you will shew your self an Artist in making the forementioned distinction; for concluding it is a Scorbutick Pox, you must apply a method distinct, from what Cures a Mangy one.

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CHAP. II.

Of the Cauſes and Diagnoſtick ſigns of the Scorbutick Pox.

2. IN this part I am to give you my Obſervations on the Scorbutick Pox, which I ſhall extract from ſeveral of my Venereal Patients, and ſet down thoſe preſcriptions, which for your further ſatisfaction you may find on ſeveral Apothecaries Files in *London.*

By a Scorbutick Pox, in a large acception, may be underſtood a Scurvy, gotten by a Venereal Infection, and of ſuch I have treated more than a few; but ſtrictly it is a Pox, whoſe chief ſymptom is a ſort of fugitive flying pains, that

that ſometimes cauſes a diſtenſion in the muſculous parts of the Arms, other times in the Legs, Breaſt, Head, eſpecially, and ſide. Hereof I have obſerved two degrees. The firſt is, ſmall tinkling pains in the parts aforeſaid, running ſometimes to the Toes, and Fingers ends. Thoſe of the ſecond degree are more evident, and very offenſive pains; they are diſtinguiſht from Venereal Night-pains, by their appearance at all times of the Day or Night, but eſpecially at the Patients awaking from ſleep; upon the leaſt courſe of Phyſick they diſappear, but certainly return after a ſhort intermiſſion. Their immediate cauſe is a virulent wind, diſtending and corroding the membranes of the Muſcles. Touching their previous and remote cauſes take theſe Obſervations. Firſt, thoſe that are ſubject to a Scorbutick Pox are chiefly ſuch, whoſe Parents were pockified, and

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but imperfectly Cured at the time they were begotten, ſo that here is an hereditary pocky diſpoſition in all their parts, ſpermatick and ſanguine; whence receiving a new Infection, immediately penetrates into the ſubſtantials, and unites with their very principles of nature, where it lies ſo firmly intrenched, that the Art of Man can ſcarce diſlodge it. Some Months ſince, a diſaſtered Patient applied himſelf to me for Cure, his ſymptoms were only fugitive, diſtending inordinate pains, flying promiſcuouſly into all parts, and at all times: Upon inquiry made into the occaſion of this ill adventure, I found he had contracted it by one ſingle converſe with an hired Woman, with whom alſo ſeveral of his Comrades had negotiated, though but with ſmall gains, it may be of a ſmall Gonorrhee or Shanker, both which he had eſcaped. A Month after he was put in mind

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of his tranſgreſſion by wild inordinate pains, running through his Body, as if Spirits had been hunting one another in a Wilderneſs. For the removing of this, he was put into a Salivation twice, each Flux laſting three Weeks; but theſe means proving ineffectual, he was adviſed to eſſay the Vertue of a Sudorifick courſe, which recompenced his pains as little as the former. It was in the Winter when he deſired my help, a Seaſon not very propitious for ſo difficult a work; however I put him into a very ſtrict Method, at the termination whereof, he found himſelf free from all pains and ſymptoms. In this caſe it is not to be doubted, but this was a Scorbutick Pox, occaſioned by virulent ſteems ſoon paſſing the ſpermatick parts, and in a ſhort time penetrating and lodging themſelves in the moſt retired ſeats of his Body, where they were readily admitted

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into a previous hereditary pocky diſpoſition; whereas had there been no ſuch previous diſpoſition, the foreſaid virulent fumes would have been intercepted by the ſpermatick parts, where they would have occaſioned a Gonorrhee, Shanker, or ſome other *Liminary* Infection, as they did in his Comrades. A ſecond Obſervation is, That a Scorbutick Pox is alſo engendred in thoſe, who were Scorbutick before, and had received their Infection from a Scorbutick hired Woman. A third is, That moſt Scorbutick Venereal Diſeaſes are occaſioned, when the Infected ſteems are received into the Body, without engendring a *Liminary* Pox.

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CHAP. III.

Of the Prognoſtick ſigns of a Scorbutick Pox.

THe Prognoſtick of a Scorbutick Pox implies in the general, that it is the moſt difficult of all other kinds of Pox. In particular, a Scorbutick hereditary Pox, is for the moſt part incurable, in ſome few its palliable, and in very few Curable.

A ſimple Scorbutick Pox doth not admit of an eaſie Cure; but requires both skill and dexterity; and therefore is not to be attempted by every Emperick.

Laſtly, Obſerve, that ſcarce any ſort of a Scorbutick Pox is Cure-

able by a ſingle courſe, but requires a ſecond, and ſometimes a third repitition of the ſame courſe, whereby it is gradually oppugned, and at length totally expelled.

CHAP. IV.

The true Method of Curing a Scorbutick Pox.

THe directions for Curing this obſtinate Diſeaſe, comprehend ſtrict Rules for Diet, preparative digeſtions, depleniſhing the Veſſels of ſome part of their humours to make way for ſpecificks, and laſtly the manner of adminiſtring the ſaid ſpecificks; the Diet muſt for the beginning be moderate in relation to quantity, and

and inclining to dryneſs. In the proceſs of the Cure it muſt be ſpare and drying, at laſt muſt be very drying.

Firſt preſcribe the Patient a Doſe of *Mercurius vitæ*, from *gr.* 2. to 6. or give him a juſt Doſe of *Antimon. rediv.* and *Merc. Dulc.* either of theſe are incomparable in this caſe. The next day, or after a days intermiſſion, extract ſome Blood out of the right Arm. Next Morning recommend to him this following digeſtive Apozem, to be uſed Mornings, Afternoons, and Evenings, for three days.

Re. *Raſur. lign. Guaiac.* ℔ ſs.
Rad. malv. ʒjj.
Sal. tart. ʒij.
Aq. font. ℔ viij. *coq. ad. conſumpt.*
Unius 3. *ſub fin. addendo.*
Polypod q ſem Cartham.
cont an ʒjj. *epithym* ʒj.
Glycyr. raſ. ſem. fœn. dulc.
a ʒj. ſs.
War Paſſar ʒiij. *coletr.*
M. f. Apoz.
Doſ. ℔ ſs.

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War Paſſar ʒiij. *coletr.*
M. f. Apoz.
Doſ. ℔ ſs.

The Humours being now partly digeſted, are to be evacuated with another Doſe of *Mercur. vitæ*, or our black Pill, which effected, is to be ſucceeded by this, or the like Antivenereal Decoction.

Re. *Scorb. ling. Guaiac.* ℥viij.
Cort. ej ſd. contuſ. ℥iiij.
Ling. Saſſafr. minut. conciſ. ℥ij.
Poſt debit. digeſt. in Aq. font.
℔ xiiij.
Spir. Guaiac. acid. ℥j. *ſs.*
Coq. ad conſumpt. mediet.
Sub fin. addendo Rad. Bardan.
Petaſit. a ℥iij. *Rad. Alth.* ℥j.
Colet. & reſervet. in amp. vitr.
Reſid. affund eand. menſur. aquæ acdecoq. ad 2s 3s ſub fin. addend.
War. paſſ. ℥iiij. *ſem. coriandr.* ℥*ſs. coletr. pro pot. ordinar.*
Tinct. Antimon.
Re. *Antimon. Diaphor.* ℥iij.
Sal. tartar. ℥j.
Spir. vin. ſemel rectif. ℔j.
F. digeſt. per 4. dies in aren. dein. filtr. per chart. empor. affundatur hæc tinctur. decoct. ſupra ſcrip. primar. cujus commix-

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ti ſit Doſ. ℔ *ſſ. Ter. per. diem horis medicis.*
per horam mane ſuperſudando.

Once a Week inſtead of the Decoction take a Doſe of *Merc. vitæ.*

This courſe being continued five or ſix Weeks, performs a Cure beyond the expectation of the Patient; but if in a very inveterated Scorbutick Pox this ſhould fail in that happy ſucceſs you propoſe to your ſelf, then after a Months or ſix Weeks intermiſſion, repeat the ſame Method, and then you need not doubt of the effect. In an obſtinate Cure, I uſe to add to each Doſe 20. drops of my *ſpir. antilepr.* 10. grains of my *Magiſter. nigr.* and 5. *grains* of my *Magiſter. alb.*

Upon the preceding preſcription, the Reader may poſſibly be ſo curious, as to demand, why *Sarſaparil*, a drug ſo noted for its efficacy againſt venereal pains, is

omitted. I reſolve you; becauſe for the generality the *Sarſa* our Druggiſts expoſe to ſale, is ſo rotten, that the worth of it, ſcarce anſwers the tenth part of what it is ſold for, eſpecially at this time, ſince what is tolerable, namely large, white and mealy, is not to be purchaſed under four or five ſhillings the pound, and that probably is ſuch, as hath been kept two or three years in their Warehouſes for a deer year; whence conſidering its chief vertues to conſiſt in volatile ſulphureous particles, you may juſtly conclude, it may very well be paſſed by, having wholly evaporated its vertue; eſpecially ſince I can aſſure you, I have obſerved effects more admirable in thoſe two hedge-roots, *Butterbur* and *Burdock*, being taken up freſh in the Autumn, and dried in the ſhadow, than ever I did in *Sarſa*. Notwithſtanding, if you ſuppoſe your ſelf skilful enough to diſcern

diſcern the goodneſs of *Sarſa*, you may purchaſe a quantity of the Druggiſt, and ſend three or four Ounces of it ſliced to the Apothecary, to be added to the aforeſaid Decoction, and queſtion not, but it will recompence your pains by a ſucceſsful Cure. But on the other hand, ſhould you commit it to the honeſty of the Apothecary, believe certainly he will either wholly omit it, and yet not forget to place it down particularly to the account, or put in that of two and ſix pence the pound, a kind of *Sarſa*, that is black, ruſty, ſmall and rotten, ſerving for no other uſe, than for extinguiſhing the vertue of the other ingredients. Concerning theſe ſorts of refined Cheats, and other groſs ones, you may abundantly ſatisfy your ſelf in, by peruſing a Treatiſe, called, *The Accompliſht Phyſician, and the Honeſt Apothecary*, which will render you wiſe enough to expoſtu-

late the Caſe with your Apothecary in his accompts. Of thoſe Tracts, if there be any to be had, I believe its in *Duck-Lane*, at the Sign of the *Angel*.

A Second

TREATISE

OF THE

Mangy Pox.

AS a Scorbutick Pox, is that ſort our experienced Mounſiers entitle a *Dutch* Pox, ſo this Mangy Pox is that, which may moſt properly be ſtiled the *French* Pox, that ſort being moſt popular among 'em.

That it is a venereal Diſeaſe, diſcovering it ſelf chiefly in Scabs

and Scurf, you may eaſily underſtand by what it's here named. I ſhall not judge it a labour loſt, if I relate to you the ſeveral kinds and differences of Venereal Scabs and Scurf.

Venereal Scabs take their riſe from malignant deep inflamed Puſtules, that feel ſore, and immediately conceive a black or duskiſh ſpeck on the Head of 'em, which in a very ſhort time is converted into a rough Scab of the ſame extent the puſtule was off, and peeling it off with your hand (for of it ſelf it doth not eaſily come off) you ſhall find a ſordid matter or puſs, that hath corroded the Fleſh very uneven, which in leſs than a night is dried up into another variegated Scab.

Inſtead of thoſe puſtules, nature doth at length expel the Venomous matter in greater bumps of the ſame colour, which after they have contracted a large Scab, the virulent

virulent moiſture underneath corrodes into a deep Ulcer ; or oft times two or three of thoſe puſtules meeting, and communicating their virulency, are converted into ichorous malignant Ulcers, or moiſt running Sores.

Venereal Scurf is a plain broad Scab, even with the skin, or ſometimes deeper in the Fleſh, ſo as the skin appears higher than it, taking its Original from a large extent of a great number of ſmall eruptions like red Gum, which communicating their Venome, are converted into a large Scab of a very ill colour, without any elevation above the skin. This Scurf if riſing on the Head in thin limber ſcales, is called a Venereal dandrif, which is uſually a fore-runner of a malignanter Scurf, that is ſoon like to follow.

But Venereal Scabs and Scurf do moſt frequent the Head, Forehead, Temples (eſpecially Scurf)

Face

Face and Neck, not long after they over-run the whole Body, and particularly the Back.

The difference between ſimple Scabs, and thoſe that are Venereal is, that thoſe latter never itch unleſs when they are almoſt Cured, and then they begin to exerciſe the Nails a little.

What concerns the cauſe of a Mangy Pox, it is certain thoſe Scabs and Scurf are occaſioned by fteems, that conſiſt of a more armoniak, or an alcalized fiery and venomous principle; Which being alſo very volatile and alcalized, renders them apt to diſperſe themſelves to the circumference of the Body, and conveying with them a part of the aduſt humours of the Veſſels, appear in other ſhapes of Scabs, Scurf, and Dandrif.

For the Prognoſtick of this ſort of Evil, you may confidently aſſure the Patient, it is eaſier cured than

than any other Pox, and therefore it is no wonder, the *French* Phyſicians have the repute of excelling others in the Curing that Diſtemper, ſince thoſe Venereal Diſeaſes that Reign in *France*, are generally Mangy, and conſequently yield to a facile Cure; but if at any time they meet with an Hectick Pox, or a Scorbutick or any other mixt Pox, they are much to ſeek, and commonly render the Diſeaſe worſe.

A Mangy Pox doth not hide it ſelf long, but appears within a few Months after the Infection, and moves quick and violent, inſomuch that if it be not ſuddenly checkt, it ſhews it ſelf in corroding and Phagedenick Ulcers, which contracting a glutinous ſordid matter, are apt to corrupt a whole member in a ſhort time.

Gallick Scabs growing blackiſh, turn Cancerous, and ſignifie a difficult Cure; thoſe Scabs or Scurf

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if they are apt to fall off of themſelves, or are eaſily pulled off, it is a ſign, your caſe is in no manner deſperate: but ſuppoſing they ſtick on faſt, are painful, and cover a dilacerated corroded Fleſh, ſignifies an ill caſe. Likewiſe from the matter you may take your Prognoſtick, which the nearer it comes to a perfect *Puſs*, the more Curable your Diſeaſe is. From the colour, hardneſs, and deepneſs of the Scabs, you may alſo take your dimenſion of the difficulty or facility of the Cure.

The Cure of a Mangy Pox.

IT is univerſally known, that any ſort of Venome being admitted into the Body, it uſually takes its ſeat or root in thoſe humours, that moſt partake of its own nature, wherefore we are to look for thoſe Mangy ſeminaries in the aduſt or rather ſaline alcalized fluidities of the Veſſels; Whence you may deduce this Indication, that they are to be expelled out of the Body, by purging thoſe foreſaid fluors, wherein they are chiefly inherent. To this intent we muſt pitch upon ſuch purgers, experience aſſures us to be moſt effectual; and in that caſe I muſt recommend to you our

Black

Black Pill, which I ſhall exactly deſcribe to you here.

Take a ſufficient proportion of *Hungarian* glittering Antimony, add thereunto an anatick quantity of *Sal Armoniack*: grind them well together in a Mortar; put the mixture into a Sublimatory, and ſublime it into red and yellow Flowers. Theſe convey into a Bolt head, and affuſe upon them *Acet. diſtil. ad eminent. palm. unius*: after digeſtion in *B.* abſtract the Liquor by *diſtil.* or *evapor.* grind the whitiſh reſidue, and edulcorate it with warm Water, whereby it is ultimately reduced to its priſtine colour; and ſo having left behind its ferocity, malignity and Venome, reſults a moſt gentle vomitory and dejectory, accomodated to all Ages, Sexes, and climes, radically Curing all Oppilations, Jaundiſes, Fevers, Dropſies,

ſies, *Aſthma*'s, *initial Phthiſes*, Convulſions in Children; but more particularly I have removed with it ſeveral Agues in Children, obſtructions of *Menſtrua* in Women, and many incipient Conſumptions in Men. *In ſumma Crocus metal.* or *vitr. Ant.* are poiſons in compariſon to this preparation, which I call *Antimonium Reſuſcitatum.* For the compoſition of this black Pill, take of this *Antimon. Reſuſc.* from *gr.* 4. to 8. *Præcip. alb. dulc.* from *gr.* 3. to 6 with a drop or two of *ſyr. roſ.* to mix into a black Pill. The effect hereof is generally a copious and large evacuation downwards without vomit, unleſs in ſome few that are diſpoſed. In ſtead of the white *Præcip.* you may ſubſtitute *Merc. ſubl. dulc.* from 3r. 15. to 30. but then it uſually vomits. In reference to this method, you are to preſent the ſaid

ſaid black Pill four times to your Mangy Patient, that is to ſay every other day, with confinement that day he takes it.

No leſs ſucceſs you may expect from four Doſes of *Turbith Mineral*, but not of that crude preparation deſcribed in *Pharmacop. Lond.* but of the preſcription of *Paracelſus*. But becauſe examples are the beſt demonſtrations, I ſhall inſert one out of many of a very ſpeedy Cure of a Mangy Pox. A Wine-Cooper of a Carnous habit of Body, of temperament ſanguine and melancholy, aged 27. and robuſt; likewiſe in the internal conſtitution of his Bowels ſound and healthful; was diſgraced with a number of moſt lothſome Scabs in his Face, and down his back. A practizing Apothecary had entituled his Diſeaſe a Surfeit, againſt which according to the Rules of *Trap* he had ordained him a courſe for two Months,

Months, but to no purpoſe. Applying himſelf to me, I gave it the Name of a Mangy Pox, a tone that ſounded a note above *Ela* in my Patients ears; but aſſuring him of a perfect Cure in Eight days, was harmonically enough underſtood. In order thereunto, I tried his Body with a Doſe of the black Pill, *viz.* Eight gr. of *Antim Reſuſc.* mixt with ſix gr. of *Præcip. alb. dulc.* this pleaſured him with Eight or Nine good motions downwards. I intermitted one Day, and then recommended the ſame Pill to him, with the addition of one grain to each ingredient; the effect hereof conſiſted in the ſame number of motions. According to the ſame order I aſcended one grain each time, which maintained his motions much in the ſame tenour. Upon the ſecond exhibition of the Pill, his Scabs ſcaled, and the ulcerous skin underneath dried up; ſo that before the expiration of the time

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he found himself perfectly Cured, and so hath continued.

Furthermore you are to observe, though this Cure is potent enough against a milder sort of a Mangy Pox, those kinds that partake of a greater malignity are to be Cured by Salivation, or other peculiar Medicines; for in these cases *Guaiacum* or *Salsa* do sometimes render the Disease worse, likewise on the other hand a Scorbutick Pox is not to be attacqued by any Mercurial Medicine, unless there be a complication of Mangines.

Of an Hectick Pox.

THis is that sort of Pox, that for the most part puts a stop to the recreations of the debauched Gallant, and therefore will prove a charitable work, to give him

him ſome inſight into his caſe for a warning, that ſo he may draw ſtakes, and give over his game in time.

By a *Hectick* Pox, if you ſuppoſe a Venereal Diſeaſe, which is radicated and habitual, in oppoſition to a ſchetical Pox that's eaſily Cured, you will miſapprehend me; but my meaning points at a pocky indiſpoſition, that hath corrupted the innate temperament of the Heart, and Brain, occaſioning a fætid and impure vital ſulphur in the former, and a moſt acrimonious *Humidum cerebroſum* in the latter, whence conſequently follows a quick inordinate pulſation, and a great weakneſs in all the nervous and locomotive parts, a ſtinking ſweat all over the Body, eſpecially in the Night; likewiſe a ſhort vulpin Cough, indigeſtion, want of appetite, extream drineſs of parts, *&c.*

An *Hectick* Pox oft comes at the heels

heels of a Venereal Diſeaſe, that has been frequently repeated and imperfectly Cured. Likewiſe its a conſequent of a Scorbutick Pox in a Scorbutick Body, of a Mangy Pox in a ſulphureous hot conſtitution, and of a Scorbutick hereditary Pox. Moreover, a Pox that lurks in the Body, without giving the leaſt notice through malignant ſymptoms, doth certainly tend to an Hectick Pox.

How to fore-know an Hectick Pox is difficult, neither can a dexterity in the prognoſtick of that evil be acquired by any other means, than by frequent obſervations of ſuch as are Hectically pockified. Such was the caſe of the foremen-tioned Coopers Wife, no ſymptoms appeared neither external, nor internal, to ſuſpect her otherwiſe than perfectly diſpoſed. Notwithing I endeavoured to perſwade her to a courſe, or elſe in the ſpace of three Months ſhe would be advanced

ced beyond all humane Cure; but feeling her self so well in Health, made her slight this advice. The time I had prognosticated was no sooner determined, but the unfortunate Woman grew indispos'd, her aspect turned cadaverous, and the mole of her Body shrunk extreamly, being also incommoded by a short Cough. This sudden change compelled her to implore my assistance; but it was too late. I advised her to prepare for another retreat, for nothing was more certain, than that she would finish her course in very few Months. Dismissing her without any other advice, she applies her self to another Physician, who promises her Cure in a Fortnight; to that purpose orders her to Bleed out of the Foot, and prescribes a pectoral Decoction; this rendring her worse, goes into the Country for Air, where in the very Month I had predicted, she expires. Several of these instances

ſtances I could produce, but time and the limits of a *Compendium* prevent me; wherefore I ſhall conclude with this dictate, that the beſt Cure of a Hectick Pox is by prevention.

The Cure of an Hectick Pox.

SInce the degrees of an Hectick Pox are not eaſily diſcerned, and that ſome, namely in the beginning and growth, admit of a Cure, as beſides the Records of ſeveral Treatiſes, my ſelf can produce ſome inſtances of pocky Hecticks reſtored to their Health, its a ſufficient Argument, to encourage Phyſicians, to attempt ſome courſe or other to recover their diſaſtered Patients, or at leaſt to adviſe

adviſe ſomething to palliate, and prolong their Days. In this caſe the generality of Authors frame two indications, the one, and which in the Cure is preferred, is to moiſten the withered and tabefied parts; the other is, to expel and extinguiſh the virulent venome of the Pox. The foremoſt of theſe is accompliſht, or at leaſt endeavoured, by a nutritive and humecting Diet, and other Medicines of the ſame faculty; namely by Cock-broath, wherein is boiled *French Barley*, Bugloſs or Borrage Roots, Liquorice, the four cordial Flowers, Dates, Jujubees, Sebeſten, Currants, the four greater cold Seeds, and ſometimes a ſmall proportion of Poppy-ſeeds, all which beſides the Liquoriſh is to be ſweetneed with Roſe Sugar, if the party be Rhumatick, or if not, with Sugar of Marſh-mallows. From a Fortnights continuance hereof, three or four times a Day, its ex-

pected the Patient should be some-what incarned, moistened, and strengthened, which commemorates the Physician of his latter indication, of resisting and oppugning the Venome, to which purpose he prescribes a proportion of *China* Root and *Salsa*, to be added to the Broath forementioned. If upon another Fortnights use of this the Patient seems to mend, and appears less cadaverous in his aspect; he begins to think of steering another course, and so either wholly casts off the Broath, or at least diminishes the use of it, and prescribes a formal Decoction of *Guiacum*, *Salsa*, and *China*; others omit the former of these three, being suspicious its too hot and drying, and so might precipitate the Gallican to his former emaciated habit. This is to be diligently drunk for six Weeks or two Months, the length of time being supposed to recompence the omission

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on of thoſe violent ſweats, which are ordinarily enjoyned upon an antivenereal Decoction; though in this method ſome ſhort gentle Sweats are adviſed. That the reſult of this ſort of Cure hath been a perfect recovery of confirmed pocky Hecticks, many Authors do confidently aſſert in their Volumes, as *Poterius*, *Riverius*, *Fonſeca*, and others, though I am more than certain, that their Patients were only macerated, but not Hectically. However its apparent by the teſtimonies of theſe ſo reputed Phyſicians, *China* Root obtains a moſt energick vertue, for reſtoring Emaciated pocky Hecticks, which the Reader poſſibly may obſerve, I have more than once contradicted in this Treatiſe. Beſides, that its vertue is not exhaled, though tranſported through ſuch hot climes, and kept Seven, Eight, or Ten years before it is called into uſe, ſeems evidently demonſtrated by

the ſanguine tincture it contributes to the Liquor in a Decoction or Broath, which doubtleſs muſt be derived from a potent *Sulphur*, that is deeply latent in the Root, and by a long continuated ebullition is only extracted, and conſequently is not expoſed to exhalation. Moreover it might be argued, that the chief energy of oppugning this virulent Venome, is not inherent in the volatile parts of antivenereal drugs, but rather in their fixt ſalts, which a long ebullition doth melt and extract, as may be inſtanced in *Guaiacum*, which its age, is univerſally imagined, doth render fitter for uſe, and exalted to a more puiſſant faculty, as if length of time were requiſite to concoct its parts, and promote its latent *Sulphur* to maturity. My anſwer to theſe objections imports, that the antivenereal vertue, which is attributed to *China* and *Salſa*, is chiefly dodged in its volatile ſaline particles,

cles, the Indians ſcarce repoſing any confidence of vertue in the former, unleſs freſh taken out of the Ground, experience convincing them, that few owe their Cure to it, after it hath been expoſed Eight or Ten Days to the Air. Moreover the evident manner, which is conceived that Drug doth exert its activity through againſt the Pox, is by Sweat, which I could never detect in a ſole Decoction of *China*. Neither can any manifeſt qualities be diſcovered in its fixt particles, which by a long Decoction are aimed to be extracted, whereby it ſhould melt and attenuate humours, and ſo profuſe a Sweat, and with it the venomous miaſms; if ſo, there is little certainty of its anti-gallick vertue, unleſs repoſed in its hidden powers, which few now a days can confide in. On the other hand *Guaiacum* declares its vertue by its manifeſt qualities, reſiding in its fixt ſalin and ſulphureous

particles, or an acid ſalt, and a potent expanſive *ſulphur*, as the Anatomy of its parts by Fire doth evidently repreſent to you, by the acid Spirit, and a ſtrong ſulphureous Oyl it yields, through the former, attenuating and penetrating into thoſe humours, that harbour the Infection, and through the latter, deterging, colliquating, diffuſing and propelling the ſaid humours out at the pores, together with the virulent miaſms. Moreover it muſt not be doubtful, but the oldeſt and longeſt cut *Guaiacum* is moſt prevalent for a pocky purpoſe, time ſeeming to concoct its *ſulphur*, and exalt its particles to a greater energy, or rather time opening the pores of that hard Wood, and diſuniting the ſulphureous parts from the ſalin, (whoſe *acidum* and cloſe connexion is the cauſe of the hardneſs of the ſaid Wood) whereby it afterwards reſults more apt and capable of rendring

rendring its ſulphureous and ſalin particles to any Liquor, by a far ſhorter ebullition, than if the ſaid Wood were newer. That time doth ſo conſiderably exalt and ſublime the vertues of Bodies, will be plainly atteſted to you by the volatilization of the Spirit of Vitriol, which I imagine few can ſhew beſides my ſelf, having the poſſeſſion of a Spirit ſo volatil, that it diffuſes it ſelf to a very great diſtance, not without a pleaſant ſent to the olfactive Organ, and a moſt ſubtile inſinuation into the remoteſt effuges of the Brain, and being dropt into a Liquor, proves diaphoretick, which is accounted an excellent vertue when accompanying an acidity. The manner its prepared is thus, calcine your Vitriol to a *Colcothar*, and place it in a Garret, leaving it there two or three years, afterwards diſtil it after the uſual way, and you ſhall collect a deep yellow vo-

latil Spirit of Vitriol, as is here deſcribed: which confirms my aſſertion, that time doth maturate, volatilize, and exalt the ſulphureous particles, and renders them apt for ſequeſtration from its more droſſie and feculent parts. This by the way. And returning to my former ſubject, I do once more aſſert, *Guaiacum* the only certain and manifeſt vegetable for Curing the Pox. The method I have ſometimes preſcribed is this following. Take a young Cock and bruiſe it well, add to it three Ounces of the ſhavings of Old *Guaiacum* Wood, four handfuls of Mallow Leaves, two Ounces of the four greater cold Seeds, one Ounce of ſweet Almonds blanched, 20 Dates, and two Ounces of blew Currants, Spring-water four Quarts, boil it gently two Hours in a Diet-pot, ſtrain and keep it in a Glaſs cloſe ſtopt. Hereof let the Patient Drink a quarter of a pint four times a Day.

Day. Inſtead of Water in ſome caſes, I have ordained the ſame quantity of Whey, or Water diſtild of Milk, or Mallow Water. After Ten Days continuance of this Anti-hectick Broath, its requiſite to add two Ounces of excellent new Sarſaparil, or if ſuch is ſcarce to be procured, the like quantity of Burdock Roots. If upon Twenty Days uſe hereof, the Patient ſeem'd ſomewhat incarned, I judged it convenient to purge him gently with *Diaſenna* and *Mercur. ſubl. dulc.* and ſo exhort him to two or three ſmall Sweats a Week. By degrees I detracted thoſe moiſtning ingredients, until I arrived to the uſe of my two *Magiſteria*. Furthermore I have now and then obſerved ſome Gallicks ſurprized with particular *Atrophies* of ſome of their members; in that caſe I adviſed three Ounces of Red Worms taken out of a Horſe Dunghil, and well waſht in White

Wine, to be added to the nutritive Decoction. Likewiſe I perceived that a ſcore of well cleanſed Vineyard Snails added to the Broath aforeſaid, did very much contribute to its nutritive faculty. After that, the Patient being reduced to a more florid aſpect, and ſomewhat impinguated, you may proceed with ſuch a method, as his preſent ſymptoms may indicate, according to thoſe Obſervations I have lately communicated to you.

Practical Observations upon the several degrees of the Pox.

Observ. 1. A Young Man Aged, one and Twenty, of temperament Phlegmatick and Melancholy, weakly and crazy in point of Health, had contracted a virulent *Gonorrhee*, and indeavoured to Cure it with the common Pill of *Extract. Rud. and Mercur. dulc.* and afterward ſtopt the current of it with Aſtringent Pills, compoſed out of *Common white Chalk, Bole Armen. Sang. Drac. Acac.* &c. About a year after, on a ſudden upon eating of Salt and ſpiced Meats, and drinking Wine freely upon it, burſted out again into a very impetuous ſtream, more violent

olent than formerly, and attended with a burning heat of Urine, far more intenſe, than what is only termed ſcalding. Here I could ſoon diſcern, how unskilfully he had been managed, by ſtopping that, which ought to have ſtopt of it ſelf, upon the extinguiſhing the malignity by proper Antidotes, mixt with detergent Diureticks. Having interdicted all ſorts of irritating and ſtimulating Meats, and hot Drinks, ordained him Pills framed out of a very detergent and Diuretick Extract, and our *Magiſterium Album*: this he repeated ſo oft, until the *Gonorrhee* was perfectly deterged, and exſiccated, which happened in about Eleven or Twelve Days.

Obſerv. 2. A Cook by Trade, Aged about Forty, robuſt, and of complexion melancholy, ſome two or three Years ſince received a prejudice from an hired Woman, which

which ſhewed it ſelf in a fœtid *Gonorrhee*, and untimely ſtopt by Emplaiſticks and reſtringents. This malignant Enemy would ever after once in a Fortnight, or a Month, or ſometimes two, ſally out in a green and yellow Iſſue, which having continued about Eight or Ten Days, more or leſs, would of its own accord withdraw it ſelf again within its own bounds, and ſo ceaſe running, until it was provoked again by Riding, Drinking or other intemperance in Diet. Applying himſelf to me about a Month ſince, I purged him ſmartly three times, and afterwards gave him the detergent Extract for Ten Days.

From theſe and many other Obſervations, I could inſert, may be collected the Lurking property of Venereal malignity, abſconding it ſelf in the liminary or ſpermatick parts, for ſome Weeks, and Months, and what is more, ſome Years, as I have

have obſerved in many, whence through a malign ebullition, ſteems are raiſed and diſperſed through the whole Body, extreamly anoying the principal and ſubprincipal parts in their function.

Theſe through ſome accidental or other procatarktick cauſes, or Connate imbecillity, being rendred diſpoſed to engender thick Phlegmatick and melancholick Blood, by the addition and infinuation of the foreſaid ſpermatick ſteems, precipitate the Body into a Pocky Scurvy; and in this diſpoſition of Bowels and juyces of the Veſſels, if the Lungs be naturally infirm, or accidentally labefied, and the humours *Anarrhopous*, a Pocky Conſumption is certainly the next product. If hereunto unites a proportion of putrid volatil ſalt ſublimed out of the *fæces* of the foreſaid Scorbutick Blood, and through colliquation rendring the Incraſſated juices fluid, and diſperſing them

them to the circumference of the Body, oft occasions Pocky Rheumatisms, Venereal Gouts, *&c.*

In fine, dayly Observation confirms, that a malign Venereal ferment is oft detained in some retired part or other, besides the liminary ones, which though for the present doth not incommode the Body otherwise, than by some twinges, or fugitive pains, yet its beyond all peradventure, that by its steams it contributes a particular malignity to the causes of all other Diseases; and for instance in putrid or malign Fevers, possessing Bodies formerly blasted by a Venereal Infection: it may be some Years since, and not otherwise incommoded by the remaining ferment, than by pustules, small pains, or Catarrhs, Spring and Fall, its most assured, this Fever shall not be Cured without a respect had to the Venereal malignity, notwithstanding all our *Aqua Epidemica, Theriacalis,*

Theriacalis, or *Scordii Compoſita*; And this is the cauſe ſo many drop away Yearly, whoſe Life might otherwiſe be certainly ſaved. Likewiſe in other Diſeaſes, as a Dropſie, Scurvy, Conſumption, Agues, and many more ſeiſing Bodies, that had been once, though a dozen Years ſince, Infected, I find they are not to be eradicated without antivenereals, mixt with other Medicines, proper to thoſe ſeveral Diſtempers.

Obſerv. 3. Some ſix Years paſt a Venereal Patient repreſented his Diſeaſe to me, being very painful in the Night about his Shin-bone and Knees; he was near Thirty, of a Phlegmatick and Sanguine Conſtitution, indifferent ſtrong, but had a very weak digeſture in his Stomach, and very ſubject to Catarrhs. His importunity prevailed with me to put him into a courſe of Phyſick, though about the beginning

ginning of Winter in *December*. Having confined him to a very warm Chamber, and all the creveſſes and vents being exactly ſtopt. I preſcribed him theſe following Pills to be taken in the Morning.

Re. *Antimon. Rediv.* gr. 6.
præcip. alb. dul. gr. 4.
Sal. volat. armon. gr. 2.
Thereb. ven. q. s.
M. f. Pill No. 2.
Deaurentr.
Capiat cras mane cum regimine.

This gave him five motions downwards, without occaſioning the leaſt indiſpoſition at his Stomach; but conſidering I had not fully matcht the Medicine to his ſtrength, I ordained theſe following.

Re. *Præcip. alb. d.* gr. 8.
Antimon. Rediv. gr. 6.
Reſin. Gialap. gr. 5.
Ther. ven. q. s.
M. f. Pill No. 2.
Deaurentr.

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This Purg did evacuate ſome twelve times. The third Day he repeated the ſame, and wrought with him ſeven times, the Fourth, Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, Eighth, Ninth, and Tenth Day he took this following Decoction.

R. Cortic. *Guaiac. groſs. pulv. lib* j.
Lign. Junip.
Saſſafr. an. ℥iiij.
Sal. tart. ℥ſs.
Coq. in Aq. font. lib. 20. *ad conſumpt. Medietat. Colat. adde.*
Rad. Petas.
Bardan. an ℥ij.
Zedoar.
Cardamom. an ℥ſs.
Spir. Guaiac. acid. ℥j.
F. Digeſt. per. hor. 12.
Coletr. & reponatr. in Ampul. Vitr.
Dos. lib. ſs. *quater per diem;*
Mane hora 8, 11. 4. *Pomeridianâ, &* 8. *veſpert.*
Prima aſſumpta doſi ſeſe componat ad Sudorem.
Magmati reſiduo affunde Aq. font. lib. 24. *ac decoq. ad duas* 3. *as. ſub. fin. addendo*

do. War. Paſs. ℥iiij. *Sem. Coriander.* ℥ ß. *Cort. Citr.* ʒij. *Coletur, ac reſervetur pro potu ordinario.*

To his Shins were applied two large *Cinnaber* Plaiſters, deſcribed in our Greater *Venus* .....

The Tenth Night he ſlept very well, free from all pains; the Eleventh I preſcribed him a Doſe of ſix Grains of *Merc. Vitæ* of my own preparation, which moved him once upwards, and ten times downward. The Twelfth, Thirteenth, and Fourteenth he took his Diet Drink, continuing his Sweats in the Morning for one Hour and a half. The Fifteenth he took another Doſe of *Merc. Vitæ*, for the next following Eight Days returned to his Sudorifick Decoction; afterwards he repeated his ſecond Purge twice, intermitting one Day. His Diet was chiefly Mutton, and Connies well Roaſted for his Dinner;

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at Night he paſſed away the time with a few Raiſins and Biſcuit.

For the Phyſical Readers Information, how to manage the ſeveral formentioned methods of Cure, I thought to have inſerted ſeveral Obſervations, accommodated to each method, there being none which I have not preſcribed ſeveral times; But my occaſions not admitting of ſo much leaſure this Spring ſeaſon, I muſt ſuperſede.

A Third

TREATISE

OF THE

ARTHRITICK

OR

Joynt-Pox.

ART. I.

THE latitude of the Arthritick or Joynt-Pox, though comprehending many other Venereal Diſeaſes, that infeſt the Articles

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or Joynts, at preſent I ſhall only communicate my Obſerves on that, which may properly challenge the name of a Venereal Gout; and this by its preceding cauſes, peculiar kind of pain, duration, and times of exacerbation, may without much difficulty be evidently differenced from the Scorbutick Gout, beſides which two ſorts of Gouts, *viz.* Venereal and Scorbutick, I have not taken notice of any other in *England.* I judge it unneceſſary to make a repetition of the diſtinction of the Gout, in reſpect of the parts affected, ſince you may be informed by a ſurvey of my Treatiſe of the Scurvy, or of ſeveral others that have treated on that Subject.

The preceding cauſe is a Venereal Relick, or at leaſt ſome deep impreſſion the Pox hath made on the Brain, marrow of the Back, and the whole diſſemination of the Nerves. The relick forementioned is

is the remainder of a former imperfect or improper Cure: the latter, namely the Venereal ſtain or impreſſion on the Nervous parts, is occaſioned by a Cure, that was applyed late, and after the Diſeaſe was grown inveterate.

The Venereal Gout is far more incommodious, than the other, *viz.* The Scorbutick Gout; likewiſe is not ſo eaſily appeaſed, and ſeldom goeth off without leaving a token behind it, either a more than ordinary weakneſs of the Joynts, or a ſtifneſs, or a pain upon the ſtirring of ſome particular parts, which is not felt when they lye ſtill. In moſt, after the Age of Fifty, it proves abſolutely incurable; and though it doth not immediately kill, yet its tortures are ſo great and intolerable, that many rather prefer lying quietly in ſleep in their Graves, than to be ſo miſerably rackt living in their Beds.

A Venereal Gout upon a long continuation, occaſions Nodes near the Joynts, which is an Argument, that ſince it hath intrencht it ſelf within thoſe knotty Palliſades, it will not eaſily be mitigated, and much leſs ſuffer it ſelf to be removed by ordinary remedies.

My Obſervation on ſeveral effects of this Venereal Gout hath diſcovered to me, that it chooſeth ſometimes to change into a malign Fever, Palſie, Apoplexy, Lethargy, and an extream Phtiſick, which in this caſe uſually prove to be the Quarter-maſters of Death.

ART. II.

The Cure of the Venereal Gout.

THE Cure is to be managed with great caution, and with a particular regard, had to the Paroxyſm, which being overcome, a different courſe is to be ſteered for the preventing its return. Firſt then in reſpect of this Gouty fit or Paroxyſm, the extream pain being an urgent ſymptom, requires precedency before all other indications, and points at Anodynes, both internal and external, which latter being moſt expeditious, are commonly preferred before the former. Though Anodynes are proper-

ly ſtiled to be ſuch means, as aſſwage pains by mitigating and quieting the inflamed enraged Spirits, either through a mild warmth, which wonderfully pleaſes them, or through a ſtupefactive ſulphur; yet the genuine qualification of an Anodyne may beſt be deduced from the cauſe of the pain, which in this caſe is an acrimonious Salt, rendred corroding through the impreſſion of a Venereal virulency, and abandoned to the extream parts, where it doth ſharply vellicate and grate the Tendons, membrans, and other Nervous parts. So then, if you direct a topical Medicine, that is anodyne in this latter and the former reſpects, *viz.* quieting the inraged Spirits, and ſweetning the acrimonious Salt, it muſt neceſſarily prove ſucceſsful: to this purpoſe, I have more than once preſcribed theſe following means, *viz.* a Fomentation, a Cataplaſm, and an Emplaiſter, uſed ſucceſſively within

within a ſhort interval one after another.

R. *Rad. lilior. alb.* ℥ij.
Fol. Alth. M. iiij.
Fol. Verbaſc. M. ij.
Hyoſcyam. M. ß.
Flor. Sambuc.
Hyperic. a P. j.
Sem. lini. ℥j.
Rapam unicam mediocrem.
Coq. in lact. vaccin. & Aq. com.
a. q. ſ.
M f. fot.
Quo per horam mediam fiat embrocatio Partis affectæ; dein applicetur Cataplaſma ſequens.

Obſerve, that the Nervous parts do very ill bear a ſtupefactive Medicine, wherefore the *Henbane* is only to be added, when extremity of pain doth require it.

The Cataplaſm.

R. *Reſident. Superioris fotus ad Putrilag. coct.*
Flor. caſ. recent. extr. ℥ij.

Verm. terreſt. contus. ℥iij.
Ung. Dialth. ℥ij.
M. f. Catapl.
Applicetr. part. affect. poſt. uſum. fot.

This having laid on ſome four or five Hours, I cauſe a particular *Cinnabar Emplaſt.* being made of a ſoft conſiſtency, to be applied; all which uſed in manner aforeſaid doth wonders.

The next to be conſidered are the internal remedies, which are indicated by the incenſed Spirits, violently driving theſe ſalin acrimonious humours to the circumference. Here take notice, the Spirits are not to be ſuddenly checkt in their currear; for then you muſt certainly expect either a very dangerous Fever, or the flowing of thoſe ſharp Humours to the Lungs, Brain, Liver, or ſome other entrail, where their effect will prove of a far more dangerous importance, than before about the Joynts: wherefore

wherefore you are countermanded to make uſe of any narcotick internally, unleſs an extremity of pain of long continuance ſhould draw you to it.

Secondly, avoid exhibiting purgatives in the fit; for fear of inraging the Spirits to a higher pitch, and depriving thoſe ſalts of their moiſture, which otherwiſe doth ſerve to qualifie them; moreover purging doth oft retract the Humours from the external parts to the internal, whereby more Men have been precipitated to their Graves, than ever any Gout through it ſelf killed.

Nevertheleſs a conſtipated Belly being very diſadvantageous, doth now and then preſs you to emollient Glyſters, and the exhibition of laxatives, as *Manna*, *Caſſia*, &c.

The Humours being very ſharp, and in a violent ebullition, ought to be ſweetned, and the Spirits,

being too impetuous, muſt be gently appeaſed, but with a regard had to the former malignity; to the effecting of which the Decoction of *Sarſa*, *Burdock*, *Sanders*, *Maſtick* Wood and *raſpt* Ivory will very well anſwer your purpoſe.

The Paroxyſm being removed, the Patients impaired ſtrength recovered, and the tartarous ſaline Humours being now ready for evacuation, ſuitable purges muſt be adviſed, whoſe manner of exhibition, election, and Doſe, is to be taken, partly from the Humours abounding, and partly from the Conſtitution, Age, Sex, and other circumſtances of the Patient, not forgetting the Venereal malignity. A Purgative *decoct.* of *Sarſa*, *Guaiacum*, *Hermodacts*, *Turbith*, *Polypody*, with their correctives hath frequently been experienced very ſucceſsful; likewiſe *Merc. Dulc.* mixt with *Reſin.* of *Gialap.* is noted for an excellent Arthritick Cathartick;

thartick; but beyond all, the *Specificum Antipodagricum Purgans.* This done, an Arthritick alterative Decoction muſt be made uſe of for three Weeks or a Month, interjecting at leaſt once a Week a purgative. The laſt Scope is the ſtrengthning of the Nervous parts, which may be beſt effected by preparations made of *Therebinthina Veneta*, and ſome ſort of mineral Sulphurs.

Touching Chirurgical means; Bleeding in Plethorick Bodies may ſometimes be neceſſary, both in the Paroxyſm, if accompanied with a continual Fever, or ſome other urgent circumſtances; likewiſe out of the Paroxyſm it is known to be of great uſe. The part where a Vein is to be opened, is left to the diſcretion of the Phyſician.

Fontanels or Iſſues are not to be omitted, eſpecially in Bodies that are ſubject to a *metaſtaſis humorum.*

AN APPENDIX COMPRIZING *Various Obſervations.*

1. *Obſ.* THoſe that are leaſt ſucceſsful in Curing *Gonorrhëas*, firſt adviſe Bleeding out of the Foot, by opening the *Saphæna*, as leſs dangerous than the *Sciatica* Vein, for being too nearly accompanied with Tendons, and Arteries, alſo for being commonly leſs turgid. Next Day they recommend a *Bolus* of *la bonne Caſſe*,

as the French uſually ſtile *Caſſia*, with Cream of *Tartar*, and *Sal prunellæ*; after that, an Emulſion of the four greater cold Seeds, ſome adding alſo ſome white Poppey Seeds, and this to be continued, until it runs white, and then they corroborate the ſpermatick parts by adſtringent Medicines, and injections. The Theory, upon which this practice is grounded, aſſerts the Venome attracted into the body, through an impure Copulation, to be by Nature critically thrown off by a *Gonorrhæa*, which ſort of running, or dropping, they ſeem to inſinuate, to be a *Criſis*, following an Ebullition in the Humours, occaſioned by the rencountre of the venomous miaſms and the Spirits, which continueth for the moſt part four Days, in ſome Seven, in others Nine, Eleven, or Fourteen, and in ſome few one and Twenty; and being expired, the *fluor* ſhews it ſelf, as if nature had now conquered,

red, and ſeparated thoſe virulent particles, together with thoſe of the Humours, which they had corrupted, and wherein they are wrapt up, and ſo th own off into a *Gonorrhæa*, or rather a *fluor* of virulent matter.

I would have you forbear wondring, that Nature ſhould be accuſtomed to certain Days, that being abundantly evidenced, by ſingle and double Tertians, Quartans, and other periodical Diſeaſes, alſo critical Days in continual Fevers. True it is, that ſometimes a *Gonorrhæa* may appear any other Day, but I have very frequently obſerved, they have burſted out either the Fourth, or Ninth Day in ſoft moiſt Bodies, and in more robuſt natures on the one and Twentieth.

2. That *Gonorrhëas* do run off in French Bodies, that are very tranſpirable, their Humours tender, Dyet moiſt and thin, the Air very benign and ſubtle, and the ve-

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nereal Venome of a lower degree, hath been ſeveral times experienced, though without Bleeding, or Purging, and only by obſerving a good *Regimen* of Dyet, and Drinking *Ptiſan*. The ſame I have obſerved in ſome few Engliſh Debauchees, whoſe Conſtitution may in many particulars be parallel with the French: Moreover I know, that ſome Surgeons here do pretend to Cure *Gonorrhëas* with a gentle Purge, or two, and offering their Patients a common vulnerary Decoction, and ſo let the Diſtemper run off. But where Bodies are of a texture more denſe, the Blood Fibrous, engendred by feeding on a groſs ſtrong Dyet, and much Fleſh Meat, the Air thick, foggy, and ſalin; the pocky Venome of a higher malignity, and that attracted into the Body with a greater vigour, and an impetuous Luſt, all which circumſtances are applicable to Climes more Northern;

thern; to let a *Gonorrhæa* run off in ſuch caſes, is to let their Patients run into a moſt deſperate Pox, ſpecified in miſerable nocturnal pains, loſs of Palates, rotting off of Noſes, pocky Hecticks, all making their *Exit* into a moſt ſhameful Death. The reaſon is, that thoſe ſo greatly venomous Miaſms, inſinuating into the depth of the genital parts, of ſo cloſe and ſo retentive a texture, and the Humours contained being ſo Fibrous, Nature is not ſtrong enough to raiſe and continue an Ebullition to that pitch, as to ſeparate, and throw off all the Venome; even in many of thoſe leſs malign French *Gonorrhëas*, though moſt part of the Venome is run off, yet at the latter end Nature growing languid in its Operation, ſome of the Venome doth remain, and being lockt up by adſtringent Medicines, doth in proceſs of time advance to a Pox. Some few of thoſe Clap-Surgeons

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to mend the matter, beſides the *Caſſia*, and *Emulſions*, will every Day, or every other Day, inject a Turpentine Glyſter into the Patients Guts, though with very little better ſucceſs than others: But if the *Gonorrhæa* will not run off in a competent time; they either throw the Patient into a Salivation, or exhibit adſtringents, to ſtop him up; this being the ſubſtance of all, what they know, and practiſe, its evident, the French Phyſicians, and Surgeons eſpecially, are the moſt ignorant of any in theſe matters.

3. Notwithſtanding ſo great a number of ill ſucceſſes of theſe *Mounſieurs*, yet by an out-facing confidence, they ſo much prevail upon the ſenſeleſs credulity, and affectation of Northern Strangers to their apiſh modes, (the Southern as the Italians, and Spaniards, being *Sottili*, *ſoſpicioſi*, cautious) that even in the management of great

great and ſmall Pox, they are imitated by the greateſt Practicers in an imperial City, one the moſt ignorant Phyſician, and another the moſt unskilful Surgeon, though to the deſtruction of Fifteen, and probably the Cure only of five in Twenty, which is enough for a means to attract ſhoals of Patients; for thoſe five being Cured probably of very ſlight *Gonorrhëas*, *Shankers*, or *Buboes*, and paſt the laughter for their misfortunes, partly out of joy, and partly out of bravade, do without the leaſt ſhame proclaim the perſon that Cured them, to all they know; whence by the ſmall Cure of one ſuch Patient they get Twenty; whereas the other Fifteen are obliged to be ſilent and bear their miſeries, brought on them by the unskilful Cure, to avoid the ſcandal, and being ſcoffed at by their acquaintance, removing from one Phyſician or Surgeon to another, until they

they have found the Man that can Cure them; ſo that in this as in all other Diſtempers, the killing of Fifteen Patients is not a pin hinderance; for the Grave ſtops their mouths, and the Curing of five, if inconſiderable Diſtempers, ſhall make the man eminent, and wonderfully increaſe his practice, though never ſo ignorant, or unskilful, but only among the Northern People.

4. Moreover were it not, that in moſt Cities, and great Towns of *France*, the Phyſitians had obtained Charters to incorporate them into Colleges, to the excluſion of all others, thoſe ſenſeleſs Rats would be forced to mend ſhoos, or braſs pots for Bread, in regard they would be ſo infinitely out-done by men of parts, whoſe Education, Study, Experience, Induſtry, and Travels, hath raiſed them far above the common Fry; and in truth, as Phyſick is a liberal Art, it ought not to

to be thus bounded; and ingenious men checkt in their endeavors, it being thought a manifeſt contradiction of the *Jus Gentium*, or *Juſtinian* Law; and for that reaſon though in the *Low-countries* and *Germany*, Phyſitians by their inſinuations and ſpecious pretences to the Magiſtrates, have prevailed for being marſhal'd into Colleges of Phyſitians, it is not in their powers, to hinder any perſon from practiſing Phyſick, that hath taken his degree of Doctor, for which he is to ſhew a lawful *Diploma*.

5. To return to the Text; an inſtance or two will ſatisfie you in the pernicious practice of the great Doctor before mentioned, or rather Man-ſpoyler: A Gentleman repairs to him for the cure of a *Gonorrhæa*, for which is preſcribed a Doce of *Extr. Rud*, and 7 or 8 gr. of *Merc. Dulc.* The two ſucceeding days an *Emulſion*; on the fourth day a *Bolus* of *conſerv. ros.* and a little

little *Calomelan.* With a *Superbibendo* of a ſtrong infuſion of *Sena. Rhab.* &c. and a diſſolution of *Syr. de ſpin. cerv.* which gave 40 ſtools, or thereabouts; then the *Emulſion* was repated for two or three days; after that adſtringent Pils, and an adſtringent Injection, which plaiſterd up the running as faſt as a Wall. During the ſpace of five or ſix months, the Patient found himſelf tollerable, but ſoon after his skin was diſcoloured all over towards Yellow, his Veins of a Sea-green, and body extremely macerated, heavy, lumpiſh, and tormented with pains night and day, as if Poiſoned: All which proceeding from the virulent matter lockt up, could not be remedied by leſs than two ſeveral *antivenereal* courſes. A parallel of another Gentleman, that accoſted the ſame Man-ſpoyler upon the like occaſion, who being purged ten or a dozen times with *Extr. Rud.* and *Mercur. dulc.* taken every

every other morning, and Emulsions of *sem.* 4. *frigid. maj.* in the interval days, by which means the Distemper growing on rather than declining, occasioned a desire in the Patient to have another *Ignoramus* Physitian joyn'd with him, who jointly advise him to the brass Spoon, (so called from its tast) viz. *Mercur. præcipitat. virid.* to be swallowed down, ten grains, mixt with *conser. ros.* for ten days successively without confinement. This besides the nauseousness and loss of appetite, wrought no great effects upon him, and therefore was put upon a decoction of *Sarsaparil*, &c. for two months, intermixing now and then some Purges, but all in vain to the Patient, though greatly to the advantage of these Physick-men; which sort of acting not only proved destructive to his body, but to his Purse likewise, so that at last he was obliged to throw them off, and render himself to the management

nagement of another Phyſitian, that ſhall be nameleſs, who cured him in fifteen days: As for the Surgeon before mentioned, (ſcarce worth the title of an Operator, or a Stone-cutter) I have heard and ſeen ſo many diſaſters and diſmal accidents, occaſioned by his ignorance, that he hath merited leſs from thoſe Miſcreants, than the worſt of Mountebanks: But as I ſaid before, curing of five in twenty, ſeats him on the higheſt Pinacle,

6. Some there are, who have paſſed through a long *antivenereal* purgative courſe, poſſibly for the ſpace of two months, and upwards, with ſucceſs of the removal of all ſymptoms, except a dayly thick yellowiſh excretion, which ſhould they continue purging *ad infinitum*, would not be abated, much leſs wholly cured. Here I am to advertiſe you of a vulgar error, implying all yellow *Fluors* at the virge malignant, which

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to the contrary the premiſing a long proper *Antivenereal* courſe, the ſuppreſſion of all the malignant ſymptoms, and what is beyond all dayly obſervations, do plainly evince a total extinction of the virulency. The continuation of *venereal* catharticks keeps on the yellow excretion by maintaining the humours in a conſtant ebullition, by inflaming and frothing them into a yellow bilious Spume or ſcom, which is daily ſeparated, and thrown off to thoſe debilitated depending genital parts, that are now become, as it were a Ciſtern, or Sink, to which cuſtome hath made an open Channel, and converted the Orifice in the *Urethra*, whereout the matter ouſes, into a Fontanel or Iſſue; wherefore if this defluxion to thoſe parts be not revelled, and the Orifice, or Orifices healed up (for ſometimes there are more than one, which in ſome are broad and deep) the Lips by proceſs of time

time will contract a calloſity, and paſs into an incurable *Fiſtula*. So that to prevent this great Evil, I have with ſucceſs to ſeveral, adviſed Bleeding out of the Arm for revulſion, afterwards Purged them once or twice with *Caſſia*, *Rhubarb* and a little *Sal prunellæ*, and cauſed them for ordinary Drink to uſe a Decoction of French Barley in Smiths Forge Water, beſides taking Morning and Evening detergent and adſtringent Pills; likewiſe firſt a detergent, and afterwards a conſolidating Injection.

7. A Gentleman after a long Purgative courſe, ſtill labouring under ſuch a ſort of *Fluor*, applied himſelf to Dr. *B.* who adviſed *Tunbridg* Waters for a Fortnight, and after that a Dram of *Bole armene* in a Spoonful or two of Milk, Morning and Evening; in a few days the *Fluor* was ſtopt ſo, as the party thought himſelf very well, only he perceived his right Teſticle to tumefy gradually

gradually, every Day more and more, which once in Ten or Twelve Days would be apt to burſt out into a yellow *Fluor*, at firſt painful, afterwards grew very tolerable, upon which the right Teſticle did reduce it ſelf to a leſs dimenſion than the left, or than it ever uſed to be.

The *Fluor* having continued ſome Days, would eaſily yield to the leaſt adſtringent: Then the ſame Teſticle began again to increaſe in bulk, until it was arrived to a plenitude, upon which enſued a ſuddain eruption of the aforeſaid Matter, which being ſufficiently disburdened, would ceaſe of it ſelf, ſo that in a manner this *Fluor* was become periodical, unleſs precipitated by a Debauch of Drinking, or high feeding; for the removing ſo great an inconveniency he floated from one Surgeon to another, and from one Phyſician to another, every one had a pull at him; Dr.

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C. of *B*. puts him into a Salivation for Ten or Twelve Weeks, but to no purpoſe; for the *Fluor* continued its periods. Another Phyſician afterwards gave him the infuſion of *Cantharides*, for a Month or Six Weeks, though with no better ſucceſs. I had him in Cure ſeveral Weeks, and paſſed through two diſtinct courſes; and all that I could poſſibly effect, was the removing of the *Fluor*, and thoſe periodical leakings; but there remained a conſtant white Gleet, which was no great inconvenience, or detriment to his Health, and ſo will continue as long as he liveth. This Gentleman had been in Phyſick near ſix years, and in that time by all probable computation, he had ſwallowed down near a Thouſand ſtrong Purges, beſides many ſorts of Drenches, Pills, Bolus's, Decoctions, Vomitives, Salivations, Sweats, and what not other torments. Neither could the

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Patient be accounted any wiſe robuſt, but rather weak, of a ſoft and thin context of Body, only he had youth; yet for all that, I have oft ruminated, how it was almoſt poſſible, for a Man in ſix years time to undergo all thoſe tortures, beſides his anxieties of mind, Melancholy, and Deſpair. And how willingly doth a Man ſubmit himſelf to all manner of torments and puniſhment, for one ſin of his luſt, whereas for a million of other Sins (ſaith the Prieſt) he would ſcarce without regret ſay one *Ave-Maria*: yet I have known their Prieſt-ſhips in *Italy*, much of the ſame mould and temper. I had forgot to tell you, that the Patient aforeſaid, a little before each eruption, was ſubject to a ſuppreſſion of Urine, no doubt occaſioned by the tumefaction of the *Sphincter Veſicæ*. Now its moſt evident, that here muſt have been a deep *Fiſtula* in the bottom of the

Virge, which at the end of every eruption was apt to be plaſter'd up by ſome glutinous Matter, that gave occaſion for the widened *Meatus's* in the Virge, and Teſticles to fill up, they being now rendred a drain or Ciſtern to receive thoſe abounding Humours, which Nature was accuſtomed to throw off. So that all theſe miſchiefs are to be attributed to the firſt reſtringent courſe of the ferruginous Waters, without thoſe neceſſary previous evacuations, and deterſions.

8. After the Cure of a *Gonorrhœa* or virulent *Fluor*, there is commonly a *Gleet* (or *Lachryma*) of thin tranſparent, and ſomewhat oleaginous moiſture remaining, which in many in Ten or Fourteen Days, ceaſes of it ſelf.

9. In others it remains much longer; though in ſome the moiſture appears thicker, in others thinner. In moſt its Curable, in ſome few incurable. I have known, thoſe,

thoſe, that never had any ſecret commerce with Women, have been troubled with ſuch ſort of a *Gleet*, that followed them a conſiderable time, and Cured not without ſome difficulty. Others are incident to it upon hard Drinking, Riding, violent Exerciſe, overpowering Labour, exceſs of Venery, and upon hard preſſure in going to Stool. Some I have Cured, that were ſurpriſed on a ſudden with a violent yellow *Fluor*, and upon termination thereof ſucceeded with a *Gleet*, and yet without any Venereal malignity, or the leaſt ſuſpicion thereof, occaſioned only by an ebullition of the Blood, froathed into a bilious Scom, thrown into the genital parts, and there condenſed into a yellow *Fluor*, which by Bleeding, and a Purge of *Caſſia*, *Rhub.* and *Sal prunellæ*, hath been in a very ſhort ſpace diſperſed, and the *Gleet* ſtopt by adſtringents; but by the way, theſe ſorts of yellow

Fluors muſt be ſtricty inquired into, and exactly diſtinguiſht, leſt both the Phyſician and Patient find themſelves deceived.

Sundry of thoſe thick *Gleets* are tinctured with yellow, and ſtain Linnen, yet are obductible, glutinous, and oleaginous, whereof ſome do ſtill partake of malignity, and others are totally exempt.

10. In regard of the multitude of *Gleets*, and the ignorance of Phyſicians, though never ſo great pretenders to Anatomy, it will be material to ſet down, what it is, that *Gleets*, from what parts its derived, and by what cauſes occaſioned. As to the firſt, it is an oleaginous, ſmooth, obductible, tranſparent, and glutinous *Mucus*, engendred in the Proſtats, and other ſmall Glandules, that are immerſt all about the *Urethra*, and throughout the Virge; for through the whole fungous Body of the Virge in diſſection, you may by your

your touch perceive this oleaginous *Mucus* perfuſed; the uſe thereof being great, for without a ſufficient proportion thereof, its not poſſible there ſhould be any erection, or at leaſt not durable; for the Spirits thronging into that part, in ſo great a confluence upon a voluptuous erection, they would in a manner take fire, inflame, dry, and wither the whole ſubſtance, were they not contemperated by the foreſaid *Mucus*, that at the ſame time moiſteneth, and defends thoſe fungous parts (being otherwiſe naturally dry) by the oleaginous lentour, which were it of an aqueous or ſalin nature only, would ſoon be dryed up. Moreover the pores of theſe fungous parts being filled with the foreſaid *Mucus*, the appelling Spirits inſinuate into it, whereby its ſuddenly rarefied and huffed up, ſo that it ſeems to be one of the principal cauſes of erection; beſides,

thoſe ſubtil impetuous Spirits would immediately tranſpire through ſuch open ſpungy paſſages, were they not congregated, and wrapt up in the *Mucus*.

11. From the *Proſtats*, and other leſſer Glandules about the Urinal paſſage, proceed *Meatus's* into the *Urethra*, through which they tranſmit an unctuous *Mucus*, wherewith that paſſage is irrigated, and inuncted, to defend it from the acrimony of the Urine, rendring the foreſaid paſſage alſo ſmooth, and glib, to facilitate the transflux thereof. This *Mucus* being engendred in too ſmall a quantity, or being crude, aqueous, and thin, doth occaſion ſharpneſs of Urine, as in Old Men and others, whoſe *Proſtats* and the other Glandules, being ſhriveld and grown dry, do not emit a ſufficient proportion of unctuous *Mucus* to the lining of the *Urethra*. The like happens in *Gonorrhæa's*, where the

the ſaid Glandules receiving a malign impreſſion, and inflammation from the virulent Steems, do either tranſmit little or no *Mucus*, or at leaſt what is very crude, thin, and acrimonious, whence the Urine as it paſſeth, muſt neceſſarily occaſion heat, ſmarting, and pricking pains like Needles, through the pungitive Figure of the Salts, wherewith the Urine is more than ordinarily loaded. In all ſimple *Dyſuries*, thoſe Glandules likewiſe are altered in their natural temperament, by a defluxion of bilious, and ſalin Humours.

12. From this Diſcourſe theſe Theorems are evidently deducible. 1. That Glandules being of a moſt tender and weak Nature, are very apt to receive injuries from Riding, Drinking, exceſs of Venery, and other occaſions; alſo from cold, windy Drinks, *&c.* whereupon a *Dyſury*, or *Strangury*, do frequently enſue, through the foreſaid altera-

tion of their *Mucus*; however you are not to underſtand, that this is always the ſole occaſion, in regard the like may happen from an Urine highly bilious and ſalin, or purulent inflammation of the Kidneys, Bladder, and alſo by conſent of parts, from dry and wet Piles, inflammation of the *Uterus*, and the like. 2. That the Cryſtallin oleaginous obductible moiſture, which upon luſtful erections ouſes out at the termination of the *Urethra*, is neither *ſemen*, nor ſeminal, as hitherto Phyſicians with the vulgar have erroneouſly judged; but it is the overflowing of the Proſtats, and other little Glandules, through the rarefaction and huffing up of their *Mucus*, which requiring a greater ſpace, is forced abundantly into the *Urethra*. 3. That a *Gleet*, which appears uſually after the Cure of a *Gonorrhæa*, is only the ouſing out of the *Mucus* of the Proſtats, and other Glandules, being debilitated and

and relaxt, or their *Meatus's* into the *Urethra* too much widened. 4. It oft happens, that about thoſe *Meatus's* there remain little ſordid Ulcers, whence together with the *Gleet* a little *Pus* is dayly ſqueezed out, which being dryed upon a Linnen Cloath, the middle ſhews thick, yellow, and gliſning, (which is the *Pus*) and the edges of a thin wateriſh and livid colour, which is the *Mucus*. Theſe Ulcers, if very ſordid, and their *Pus* very tenacious, thick, and glutinous, ſticking to their ſides like Bird-lime, are cauſes of a very obſtinate *Gleet*, which may poſſibly ſometimes continue a half year, ſometimes a whole year, and ſome longer. 5. Incurable *Gleets* are occaſioned, when the ſides of thoſe little Ulcers are grown callous, and conſequently are turn'd into ſmall *Fiſtula's*. The reaſon of their incurability is, their being remote, and ſeated in ſo tender a part, that Medicines of a proporti-

onable ſtrength and ſharpneſs cannot be uſed, without offending, excoriating, and putting thoſe parts to an intolerable pain, which they are to paſs by, before they can arrive to the part affected. 6. Whenever the Proſtats by ſordid Phagedenick Ulcers are wholly devoured, as in ſome it hath hapned, though very rarely, the Patient can never make Urine without an inſupportable pain, (the paſſage being deprived of its *Mucus*) and in this caſe, there is no other remedy to be uſed, but a Silver *Cannula*, which is to be gently put up into the *Urethra*, through which the Urine paſſing, is not capable to affect it with pain; or if a Patient would rather chuſe to run the hazard of Dying, than be always troubled with ſo incommodious an Inſtrument, no other advice can be given, than amputating the whole Member, as they do in *Turky* to their *Eunuchs*. 7. Nature being much

much more intent upon the preſervation of the *Species* than the *Individuum*, hath therefore formed the neceſſary parts for procreation in the moſt ſafe and retired ſituation of the Body, eſpecially the *Vaſa deferentia*, and the *Veſiculæ ſeminales*, which ſeem to be only various Contortions and terminations of the former, conſiſting of a very tough ſtrong tunic, (though thin) and placed in the moſt ſecure abſtruce place of all: ſo that in a Million of *Gonorrhæa's* they ſcarce receive any conſiderable dammage in the ſubſtance of the tunic; and wherever they do by corroſion, ſo as to be penetrated, it proves incurable, unleſs chance ſhould ſtop the gap by a calloſity. In ſuch a caſe there would enſue a conſtant Flux of Seed, which in a few Days would impel a Man into a *Tabes Dorſalis*, that in a very ſhort time muſt terminate into Death. For this there can be no other remedy,

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than caſtration. 8. I am far from believing, there is any ſuch Diſtemper, as a *Vera Gonorrhœa ſimplex*, occaſioned by tilting, lifting, or extravagant Venery; for in that which is commonly ſo called, the excretion is no other than *Mucous*, and not at all Seedy. This I ſhall without much difficulty render obvious to your intellect; in order hereunto you are rightly to apprehend the manner, how theſe *Veſiculæ ſeminales* are emptied, namely by an inturgeſcence and rarefaction of the ſperm, through a copious and impetuous afflux of Spirits, whereby the membrane of the *Veſiculæ* is expanded to that tenuity, as the pores become patent, through which then the *ſemen* is ſuddenly ejaculated by exploſion and *Subſultus*, and upon every *Subſultus* its more than probable, one of the *Veſiculæ* is emptied. A further explanation you may eaſily make to your ſelf, for I muſt confine my Diſcourſe within

within the limits of Morality. Now conſider, whether ever tilting, or lifting, or ſtraining of the back, as the vulgar term it (which is a wrenching and diſſenſion of the Nerves and Tendons) can occaſion an intumeſcence in the *Semen*; or ſend thither a great conflux of Spirits, ſo as to cauſe ſuch an exploſion; on the contrary, it will either cauſe a detumeſcence, and retraction of the Spirits, where the membrane of the *Veſiculæ* muſt neceſſarily ſubſide, and conſequently become more incraſſated and the ſeminal pores condenſed. Touching the *Proſtats*, their *Meatus* are patent, and become much more ſo upon a relaxation of the Fibres, after a diſtortion of the back; likewiſe the *Proſtats* upon ſuch an accident loſe their tone, ſtrength, and retentive faculty, whereby the *Mucus* being not ſufficiently digeſted, but crude and thin, muſt neceſſarily copiouſly diſtil into the

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Urethra, whence groweth that ſymptom, that is vulgarly called The *Running of the Reins*. 9. That the *Mucus* of the *Proſtats* is neither *Semen* nor ſeminal, is evinced, by reaſon they have no manner of Communication with the ſeminal *Veſicles* (though they lye cloſe to them) nor with the *Vaſa deferentia*, and conſequently not with the Teſticles ; whence can you then ſuppoſe it to be Seed? unleſs you will grant a ſperma-poetick faculty to the intire *Penis*; and if abſurdly you ſhould, it cannot be prolifick, its *Materia* not being decidous from all parts of the Body. From what is premiſed may be plainly deduced, that *Gleets* bring little or no detriment to Health, and conſecutively are incapable to precipitate thoſe, that are ſo affected, into a *Conſumption*, as many out of fear and want of the true State of the caſe have apprehended ; for I have known ſeveral, that have been troubled

bled with *Gleets* Twenty years, and upward, without any manifeſt injury, yet beyond all peradventure it doth incapacitate them in the frequency and vigour of Venereal Acts, and contracts the *Moles* of the *Penis*, as I have obſerved from the complaints of ſeveral. In concluſion of this Diſcourſe upon *Gleets*, I will only add a particular caſe, and after that an Obſervation upon Women. A Gentleman having been troubled with a triennial *Gleet*, in which ſpace of time he had by advice of ſeveral Phyſicians paſſed through various courſes, whereby he had extreamly harraſſed his Body, and through their ill ſucceſs had as much perplext his mind; at laſt by another falſe ſtep was fallen into a ſecond *Gonorrhæa*, more virulent than his former, for which he had ſubjected himſelf under my care, to whom for his encouragement I declared, that in all probability I ſhould now, not only Cure him

him of his *Gonorrhæa*, but of his obſtinate *Gleet*, well knowing that the *Fluor* of the acrimonious virulent Matter would abrade the calloſity of the little Fiſtule, that occaſioned his *Gleet*; ſo as in a Months time I perfectly Cured him of his *Gonorrhæa* and *Gleet*. The true Pathognomonick ſign of a Fiſtulous *Gleet* is a *Mucous* purulent ſtring, floating in the Urine, which ſometimes according to its tenacity doth come forth with the firſt of the Urine, othertimes with the laſt; and according to the alteration of the temperament of thoſe parts by Drinking, Riding, or other exceſs, appears white, yellowiſh, or grayiſh. To the touch it feels Unctuous, and is ropy. Strings of a duskiſh colour are the worſt.

13. Women upon an unskilful Cure of a *Gonorrhæa*, are frequently moleſted with a thin copious *Gleet*, attended generally with a rea t weakneſs, and ſometimes exceſſive

ceſſive pain in the ſmall of their Back, a drawing cramping pain about the back part of their Head and Neck; being alſo much debilitated in all their Joints, their looks alſo faint pale and livid, eſpecially about their Eyes: all which ſymptoms are occaſioned by a great loſs of the *Mucus* of the Glandules, (which naturally is much thinner in Women than Men) that are ſituated about the *Collum matricis*, through a relaxation or widening of their *Meatus's*, or little Fiſtules in them. Some Phyſicians through ignorance have imputed that ſort of *Gleet* to a ſtillation of the Nervous Juice, which if it were, an incurable *Conſumption* and withering of all the Body, and a ſiccity of the Nerves, muſt neceſſarily in a few days enſue. The like *Gleet* doth alſo attend ſome Women, occaſioned by a defluxion of ſharp, ſalin, and corroding Humours, upon the foreſaid Glandules.

Glandules. I once Cured a Gentlewoman, that by a triennial Venereal *Gleet* was reduced to a great weakneſs, and during that time was rendred *Steril*, though within a Quarter of a year after her Cure ſhe conceived again, and for ſeveral years together did not miſs bringing forth a ſound Child, moſt of which continued living: So that from this, and other like inſtances I could recite, you may obſerve another cauſe of ſterility, before now not mentioned by any Author.

14. A Pox, that ſhews it ſelf in Ulcers about the Palate, and Noſe, is not to be Cured by Salivation, before the foreſaid Ulcers by palliative Medicines are deterged, incarnd, and conſolidated; for the great Maſs of ſharp Humours, which the Salivation doth heave up thither, making an Addition of large Ulcers, and rendring the others much worſe, doth very oft occaſion

occaſion both Noſe and Palate to come down; and though the malignity in ſome is extirpated, yet in others it is inexpugnable, by reaſon of the ſordidneſs, and cavities, wherein the malignity ſeems to be intrencht. So that in this caſe, no leſs than two ſeveral courſes are capable, ſafely to overcome the danger, and Cure the Diſeaſe. Hence it is, that many by too much precipitation running head-long upon a Salivation, ruin their Patients; and ſuppoſe the malignity ſhould be extinguiſht by a violent Salivation, yet the intemperament, weakneſs, and moiſture of thoſe parts, and the Bones being already toucht, muſt neceſſarily cauſe them to cariate, which notwithſtanding all remedies uſed, muſt ſcale and be thrown off.

15. Thoſe who are naturally of a moiſt temperament of Brain, and by reaſon thereof are obliged to hawck much, and blow their Noſe oft,

oft, are very Subject to Ulcers in their Palate, Throat, and Noſe, being only troubled with a ſlight *Gonorrhæa*, *Bubo*, or *Shanker*, notwithſtanding they omit no time in their Cure, and uſe proper remedies. The reaſon extract from this following Diſcourſe. All liminary Infections, though chiefly ſeated in the genital parts, yet the Blood circulating through them, muſt neceſſarily conveigh ſome malignant ſteems along with it, and ſo diſperſe them through the whole Maſs. Theſe meeting with ſlimy tenacious Humours in the Brain, do faſten to them, and by an acid coagulative quality, render them more glutinous, which ſticking faſt upon the inſide of the *Os Palati*, where there are various little *Fovea's*, and hollowneſſes, are not eaſily expelled thence. Theſe ſecretly lurking there undiſcovered, and neglected, do by proceſs of time putrefy and corrupt thoſe moiſt tender parts, ſo

ſo that at laſt unexpectedly there appears a tallowiſh diſcoloration in the outſide of the Palate next the Tongue, a ſtink of Breath, and a braſs fowl taſte, and ſoon after a ſeparation of the roof of the Mouth, where then ſhews it ſelf a roughneſs and caries of the Palate Bone. Upon this they are apt to ſpeak a little through the Noſe, and ſtuft as they call it, which is occaſioned by a coarctation of the Paſſage, that is between the *Os Sphænoides* and the inſide of the Palate, by an impaction of thoſe ſlimy and glutinous Excrements, that are apt to ſtick there. To prevent ſo great an Evil, where I obſerve a Perſon naturally ſubject to Hawking, blowing of his Noſe, and oft ſpeaking as if he were ſtuft, I adviſe a deterſive injection, and a Gargale, though the malignity he hath received, be never ſo ſmall; which uſed but twice in a Week, is a certain guaranty of thoſe parts. Take notice, this is as

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conſiderable an Obſervation, as any in the whole Treatiſe.

16. A Venereal *Bubo* is by a common received (though pernicious) practice, attempted to be Cured by ſuppuratives, and being afterwards opened, and ſo continued running, and diſcharging, until (as they imagine) all the Venome is run out, then if (they can) cicatrize it, without any previous, or intermediate Purges; for which they give this reaſon, that purges, diſperſe the Venome throughout the whole Body, and draws in, and conſequently hinders maturation. Here I am obliged to tell you, I have oft obſerved a very obſtinate Pox, enſuing the cure of *Buboes* after this manner; for the Blood circulating through thoſe parts, where the remaining Ulcer continues for a long time open, muſt unavoidably carry ſome of thoſe ſteems with it, and infect the *Viſcera*. 2*ly*. The Groin or *Inguen* conſiſts of a multitude

tude of Glandules, which being of a very tender ſubſtance, of a moiſt temperament, and very ſubject to putrefaction, near great Veſſels in depending parts, through which great quantities of Humours are thrown upon them, (whence they do become a ſink of the whole Body) here an Ulcer, if of a long continuance, as generally it proves for the reaſons aforeſaid, rots and devours the Glandules, layeth the great Veſſels bare, and expoſeth them to the irreparable injuries of the Air; through the Venomous ſteems it ſends into the Body, rots and putrifieth the *Viſcera*, and by great diſcharges of corrupt ſtinking Matter, reduces the Body into a *Conſumption*, ſo as a violent Salivation, though continued for Eight or Ten Weeks, as I have more than once ſeen, falls far ſhort of making a proportionable revulſion, or extinction of the malignity, it being impoſſible, the rotten corrupted Bowels

els ſhould thereby be reſtored, and therefore the Patient muſt unavoidably yield to his laſt fate: All which miſchiefs might eaſily have been prevented, by previous and intermediate antivenereal Purges, which as they partly retract the Venome, ſo they extinguiſh the Venome, and carry off the corrupted Humours another way, whereby their impetuous ſtream to the *Bubo* is intercepted, and that alſo put into a State of being eaſier managed, and ſooner ſuppurated; for the Humours congeſted in the *Bubo*, prove much ſofter, and conſequently more maturable, by extinguiſhing in part the Venereal Acid, which is the chief cauſe of coagulating, and indurating the foreſaid Humours. Laſtly I have ever obſerved, that laying of a *Bubo* open, before its thorowly ſuppurated (unleſs counter-indicated by extremity of pain, Fever, or ſome other urgent Symptom) is a great hinderance

rance to the Cure, and oft-times is the cauſe of a ſucceeding putrid rotten phagedenic Ulcer.

17. Mercurial Medicines being very frequently uſed, and eſpecially long Salivations, become great Enemies to the Glandules, ſo as deſtroying the temperament, and texture of the *Glandula Lachrymalis*; I have known ſome to have been troubled with a *Lachryma* or *Gleet* of Rheum in their Eyes all their Life time, others with ſcrophulous Tumours, others with a continual driveling and ſpitting, and ſome with little Scabs in their Noſtrils, ebbing and flowing, that were occaſioned by a diſtillation of Rheum, which ſtagnating there, have acquired a ſaltneſs, whence thoſe Scabs ariſed: Theſe as oft as they uſed Mercurials, were rendred worſe, and chiefly after a Salivation.

18. Thoſe that are Salivated to a high pitch, are oft brought into

great hazards, when the Salivation begins to declin[e]; for now the Ebullition abating, by which the *Lympha* and ferosities were rarefied and attenuated, all begins to incraſſate, their *Saliva* turning ſlimy and ropy, and the Glandules about the Stomach, *Æſophagus*, and *Aſpera arteria* tumefied with an incraſſated *Lympha*, whence ariſe great oppreſſions about the Hypochonders, extream anxieties, Faintneſs, difficulty of breathing, preſent danger of choaking, and in this State many dying in greater miſery than if they were hanged, or ſtrangled; all which is occaſioned by the unskilful boldneſs of ſome Phyſicians and Surgeons, overloading their Patients with Mercury, whereby an impetuous Salivation is raiſed in a few Days, carrying off ſo much of the thin, that the remainder is left thick, and impaſſable. Now this happening is ſiniſterly by the raſcally adviſers thrown

thrown upon the Patients taking cold, though he hath almoſt continually been overcome by a ſuffocating heat of great Fires in the Room, and a load of Bedcloaths. For relief they imitate the French Mountebanks in Bleeding, as they do in the Small-Pox, hoping thereby to make room in the Veſſels for the Blood to circulate, and to draw from the Glandules. True it is, that for the preſent they receive benefit, but ſoon after the ſame Symptoms return in a more violent manner, whereby the Blood begins to ſtagnate, and then *Adios*: For by the Bleeding the ebullition is much more leſſened, and the Spirits diminiſht, ſo that neceſſarily the Humours muſt be more incraſſated. Others to obviate thoſe Symptoms adviſe the Patient a Vomit, either of *Sal vitrioli*, the infuſion of *Crocus metallorum*, or other antimonial preparation; the operation whereof anſwering the indication well enough,

if he hath ſufficient ſtrength to endure, eſcapes; if not, paſſeth *Ad plures*. Others ſuſpecting the Patients Spirits to be at too low an Ebb to bear the effort of thoſe Vomits, rather chooſe to make an eſſay to precipitate thoſe thick ſlymy Humours, together with the remaining Mercurial Particles, by a Doſe of infuſion of *Senna*, with a ſolution of *Sal Tartari*, or by a large Doſe of the latter alone, diſſolved in Poſſet Ale, or by a ſmart Clyſter, which ſometimes do anſwer expectation, othertimes not. But to ſhew, that a Phyſician or Surgeon dares toy with his Patients Life, upon ſuch a ſubſiding of the Salivation, ventures to give him another lift, by adviſing a freſh Doſe of Mercury, which if it give him the *Coup de grace*, who ſhall queſtion him, ſince it was the Pox brought him to the neceſſity of a Cure, which the dead ſinners friends are as willing to conceal,

conceal, as the Doctor the manner of his deſtroying of him.

It is a vulgar errour, to conceive, that Mercury through Salivation is clearly and totally carried off, as if at the termination thereof ſome particles were not lodged, and impacted in the ſolider parts of the Body, and groſs fæculent Humors, too thick and dry to paſs through the *Ductus ſalivales*, which beſides the ſublinguals, and the others at the bottom of the Gums, are numerous, each Glandule about the inſide of the Mouth and Throat, being provided with ſuch outlets. The truth hereof appears manifeſtly in thoſe, who after they have been abroad two, three, four, five, or ſix Months, or longer, have fallen into a ſecond Salivation, laſting eight, or ten Days, more or leſs, without the leaſt repetition of Mercury. In others that eſcape this ſecond Salivation, the Mercury evaporates through the pores,

pores, which evaporation lasteth from a Week to six Months, according to the quantity of the mineral remaining in the Body. So that there ought to be care taken of the *Regimen* of those Patients, several Weeks, or Months after their Salivation. Abundance of People have lost their Lives through ignorance of this Observation; some by taking cold, have been struck incurably Blind, Deaf, or Lame; others with Palsies, Convulsions, *Spasmus Cynicus*, mortal Fevers, excessive pains in their Limbs, of all which particulars I have seen instances.

The last Winter a young Gentleman a Month after his Salivation, venturing on the Ice to divert himself, was soon after surprized with a total Deafness, so as he was insensible of the noise of a Drum or a Gun. He was to be conversed with only by writing; I was desired to consult with a very honest

honeſt and learned Phyſician; we both agreed in opinion, that cold was the cauſe of the Deafneſs, by ſtopping the pores, and ſtriking or repelling the Mercury (that ought to have fumed out) into the Brain and auditory *Nerves*. For his Cure we adviſed a ſudorifick courſe with intermediate Purges, and Sweats twice a Day in an Hot-houſe. By theſe means he recovered his hearing tollerably well; but the Surgeon, that had Salivated him, ſuſpecting this accident might reflect on his Reputation, as if ſome error had been committed in the Salivation (which as far as I know, there was none) wrought ſo much on the friends of the Patient, as to perſwade them, that Mercury was not the cauſe of Deafneſs, and therefore he ought to be taken out of that courſe; which he was too ſoon, before the accomphiſhing his Cure; and was the cauſe he relapſt not long after to the ſame degree

gree of loſs of hearing. Another, after he had deſiſted from taking eight or ten Doſes of Mercurial Purges, leaving off ſome Cloaths, and going forth in a very ſharp bluſtering Day, on a ſudden was taken with a *Spaſmus cynicus*. I order'd him a Julep, of *Aq. paon. comp. ſpir. Lavend. Tinct. caſtor.* and ſome cephalick ſimple Waters; likewiſe a Bole of *Mithridate* and *Antimon. diaphor.* to be taken Mornings and Evenings, with a *Superbibend.* of the Julep, and to ſweat ſmartly upon it. His Neck and Temples were rubbed with *Balſamum ſuccini*; afterwards I purged him with *Extr. Rud.* and he recovered.

An Apothecary in *Alderſgate-ſtreet*, being in his Laboratory, when a Sublimatory broke (wherein *Mercurius dulcis* was preparing,) by removing it from one Furnace to another, was ſuddenly taken lame, Feveriſh, and trembling, occaſioned

d through the Mercurial ſteems, that entred his pores. Not long after ſending for me, I adviſed him to the ſame courſe, as juſt before, and in few Days was reſtored to his Health.

In concluſion; To the great miſchiefs an over-Salivation doth occaſion, let me add large deep devouring Ulcers of the Palate, Jaws, and inſide of the Cheek, that in a ſhort time rot the Bones, inſomuch that I have known the whole roof and Palate Bone, alſo pieces of the Jaw Bone come off, as long almoſt as my little Finger; ſometimes thoſe Ulcers have turn'd into a Gangreen, as the inſtance of the young Gentlewoman of *Charenton* in *France* atteſts, *vid.* the Second Part of the *Conclave.* Others by an *Hyperptyeliſmus*, or over-Salivation, have loſt the free motion of their under Jaw, which they could not open half wide enough to put in a Spoon. Some have

have been Jaw fallen on one ſide, by the rotting of the ligament of the Juncture; And notwithſtanding all this, if a Patient apprehends danger in being Salivated, the Phyſician ſhall tell him, it is as ſafe as a meſs of Milk, or piece of Bread and Butter.

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